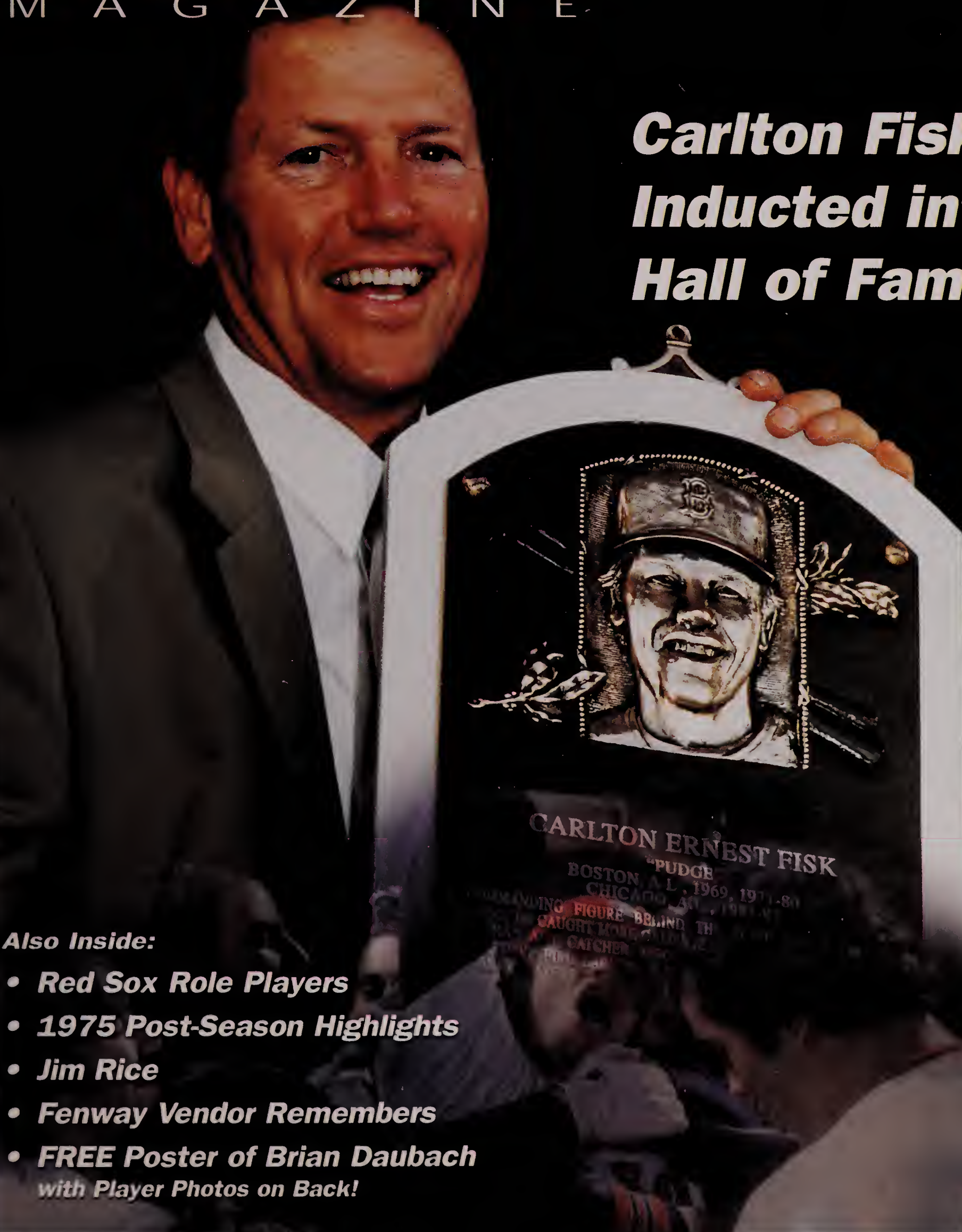


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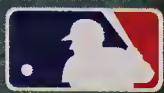
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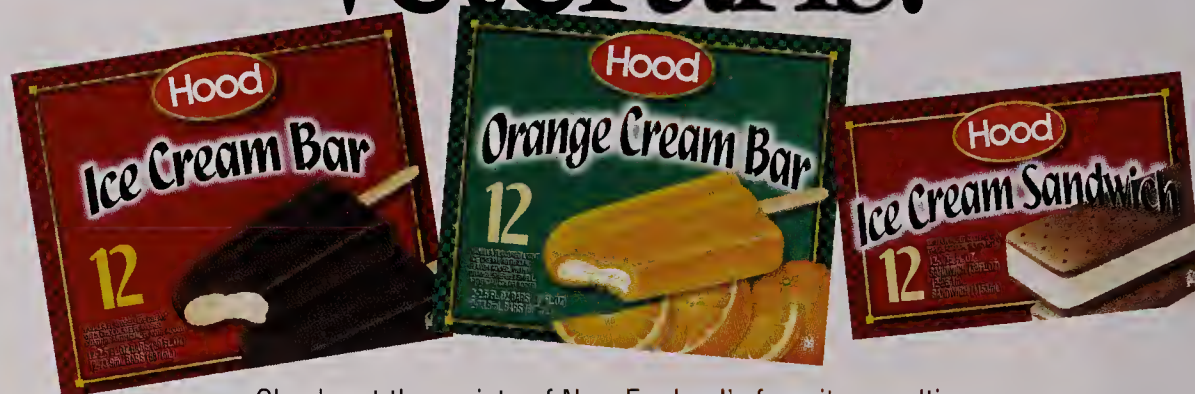
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Heart & Hustle

Versatile players help Sox endure in A.L. East playoff race

Jimmy Williams sat in his office contemplating his lineup card for the next game. He has a team full of big-time playmakers and he knows it. In his eyes, every player that dons a Red Sox uniform is as valuable as the next. "These kids can play. I believe in all of them," said Williams. "That's the most important part, whether they're successful or not. And if they come through that doesn't surprise me." His players share the same sentiment. "Nobody is filling in for anybody," said shortstop Nomar Garciaparra, "It's going to take everyone here to win and they're just doing their job. It's why we're a team."

The Red Sox skipper's managerial philosophy is rather simple: "Spread your roster with players who can play in different positions and keep the rust off. They're all major leaguers here, let 'em play." Every Red Sox player is on alert for every game knowing that they could be called upon at any time. By utilizing his whole roster over the past two seasons, Williams successfully managed the Red Sox to two consecutive playoff appearances for the first time since the 1915 and 1916 seasons.

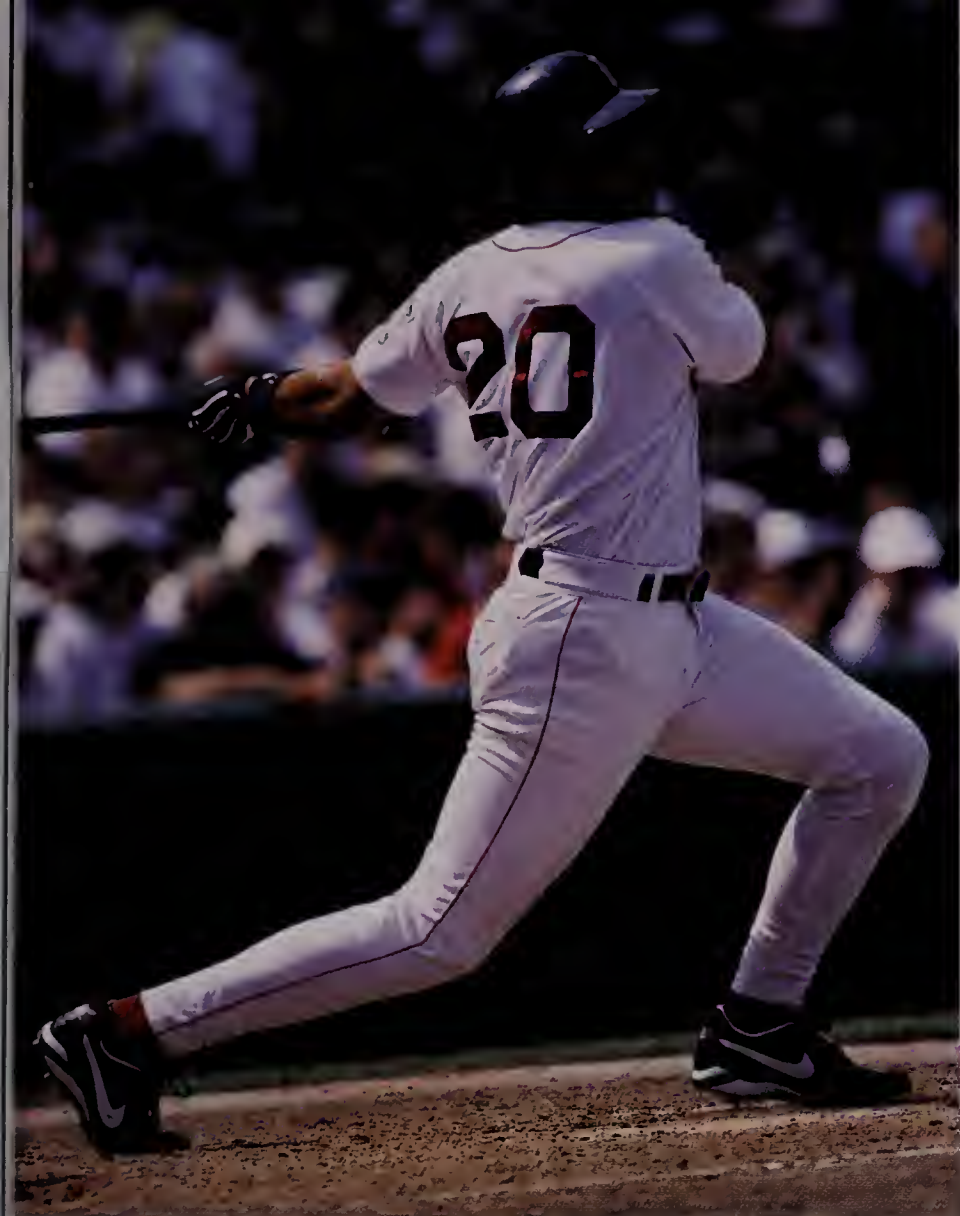
As the Red Sox battle their way to a third consecutive playoff spot for the first time in the team's long and storied history, it's business as usual. "Everybody's in the game here," 1B-DH Brian Daubach said. "This is a good team because Jimmy gets the most out of all of us."

The Red Sox have a core group of players that have the skills and versatility to play different positions and excel in different game situations. Infielders Manny Alexander, Brian Daubach, Jose Offerman and Lou Merloni and outfielder Darren

Tim Wakefield

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Darren Lewis

Lewis are part of this core and have made key contributions defensively as well as offensively. From the pitching standpoint, knuckleballer Tim Wakefield has been a great asset in the starting rotation and as a reliever. These players aren't in the media spotlight like a superstar is, nor do they want to be. The worth of their day-to-day effort registers in the team win column.

Lewis, a former Rawlings Gold Glove award winner, has proven to be invaluable to the Red Sox. When 2000 All-Star center-fielder Carl Everett injured his right quadri-

"Spread your roster with players who can play in different positions and keep the rust off. They're all major leaguers here, let'em play."

ceps in May, the team turned to Lewis to supply the defensive skills Everett contributed to the lineup. However, Lewis also answered the call offensively as he went on to hit .425 (17-40) with 12 runs, 4 doubles, one home run and 4 RBI in 14 games during May. "Darren's natural position is center field because he can roam. He likes to be free," explained Williams. "But as far as Darren Lewis goes, wherever you put him in the outfield, it's always a plus."

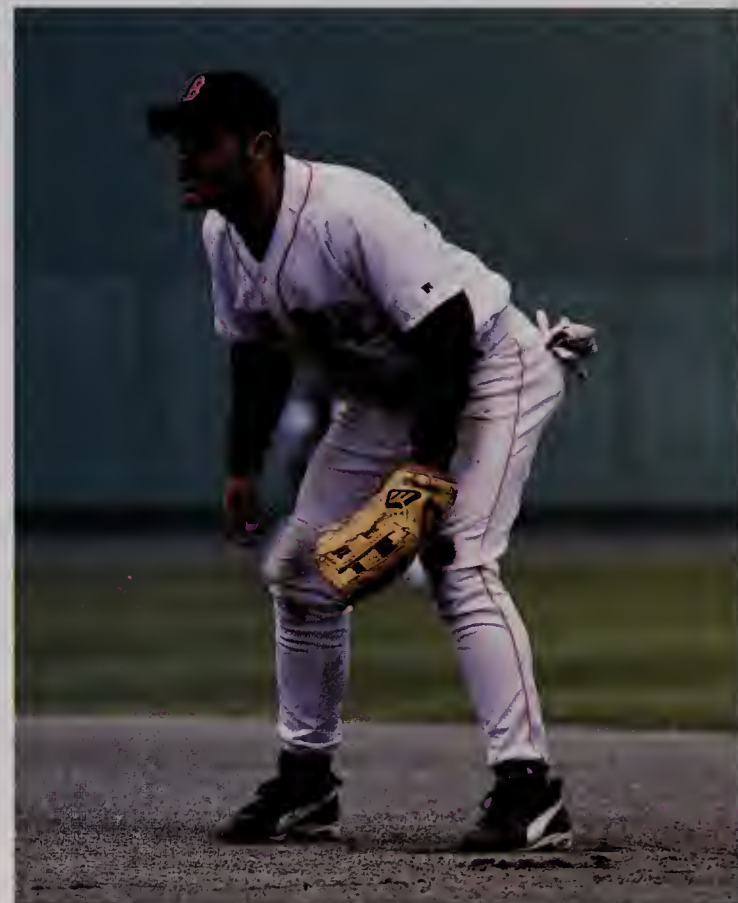
Wakefield had the similar challenge of stabilizing the starting rotation after Red Sox ace Pedro Martinez went on the 15-day disabled list with

shoulder trouble on June 29th. Before Martinez' injury, Wakefield was primarily used as a reliever. He had made only 3 starts in 27 appearances and was 2-5 with a 5.46 ERA before moving into the starting rotation. He responded with four wins in four consecutive starts June 29th to July 16th. In these four starts, the knuckleballer had a 2.98 ERA in 27.1 innings and gave up only 9 earned runs, 22 hits and 7 walks. In Wakefield's last 6 appearances through August 1st, he averaged 6.2 innings pitched per start; second only to Pedro's 7.2 innings pitched per start. Wakefield became only the fourth pitcher this season in the major leagues to make at least 10 starts and have over 30 relief appearances joining pitchers Albie Lopez of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays and Willie Blair and C.J. Nitkowski of the Detroit Tigers.

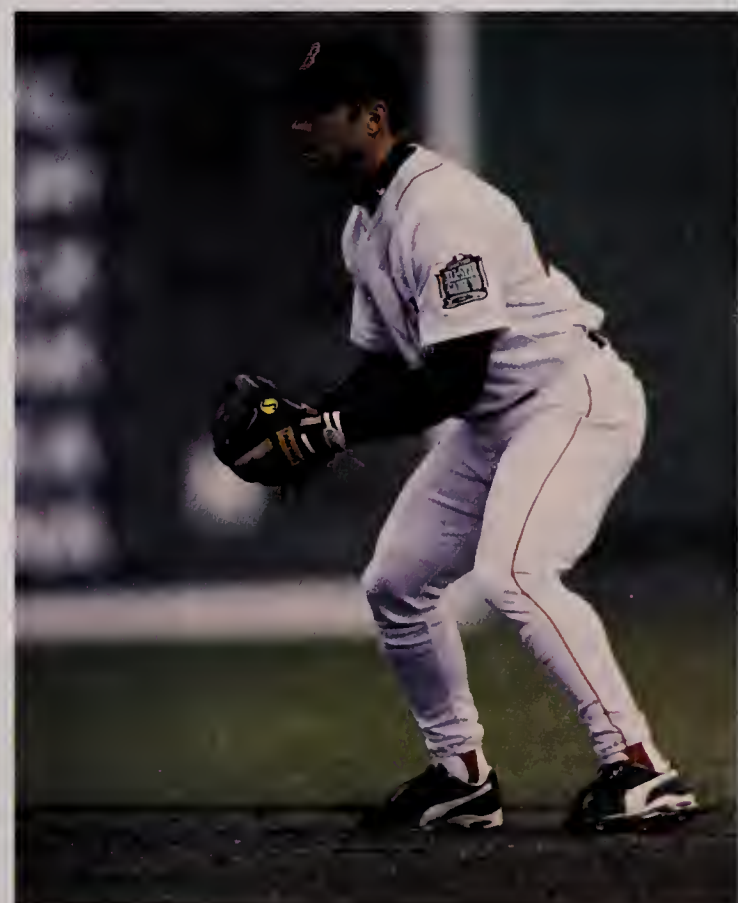
After pitching 2/3 innings of relief in a 5-3 loss to the Chicago White Sox at Fenway Park on May 10th, Wakefield was put to the test when he started the next night against the Baltimore Orioles at Camden Yards. Although Wakefield received a no-decision in an 11-4 Sox loss, he became the first Sox pitcher to start a game after appearing in relief the previous day since Vaughn Eshelman appeared in relief September 9, 1996 vs. Milwaukee and started against the Brewers again on the next day. Wakefield

also made an offensive contribution with a pinch-hit sacrifice bunt on June 28th vs. Baltimore then started on June 29th to become the first A.L. pitcher to pinch-hit one day and start the next since Gene Nelson with the Chicago White Sox at Cleveland on July 7 and 8, 1985.

"Whatever Jimmy asks me to do on a particular day, I have to get the job done," said Wakefield. "If I'm needed tomorrow, the



Brian Daubach



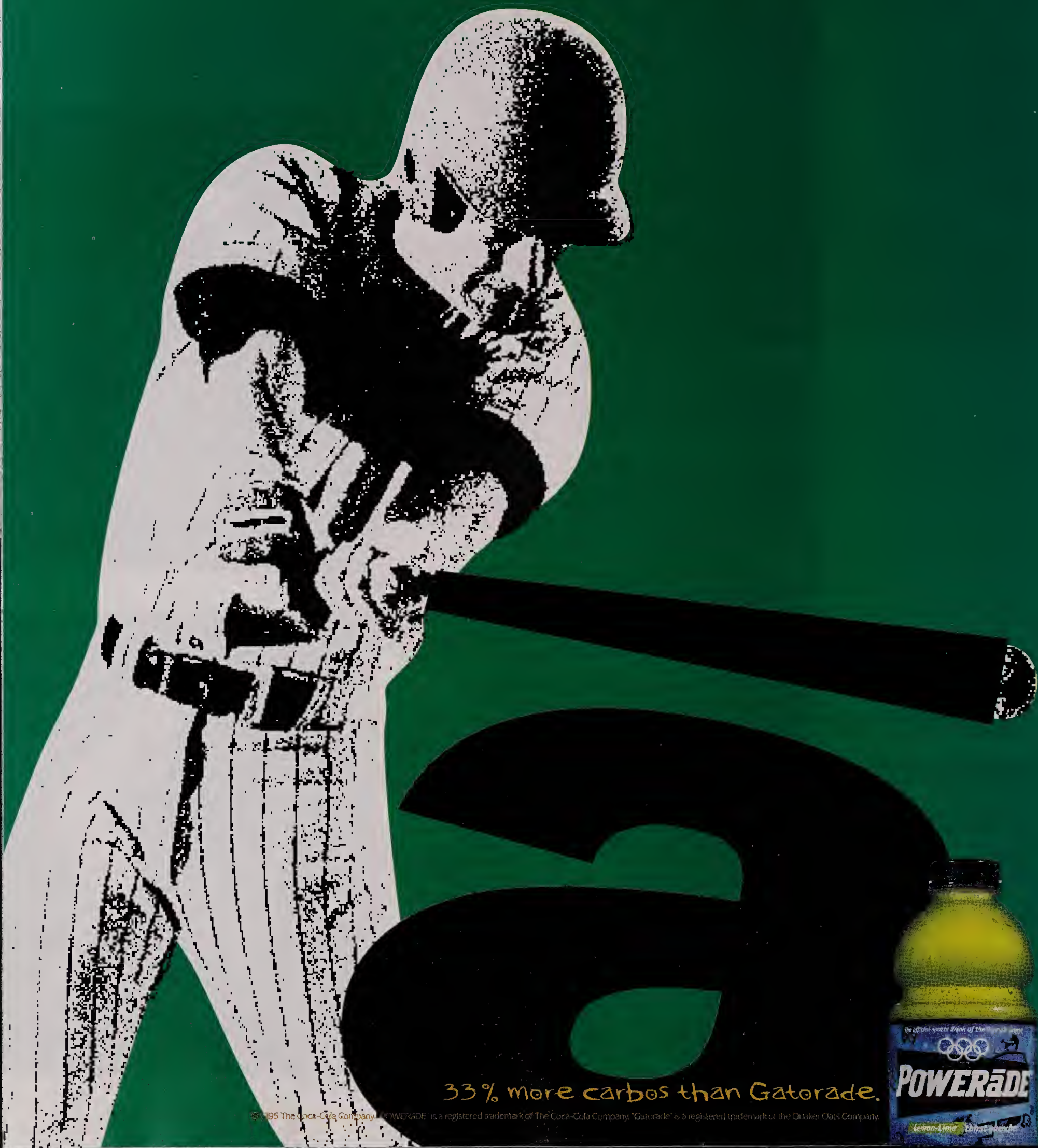
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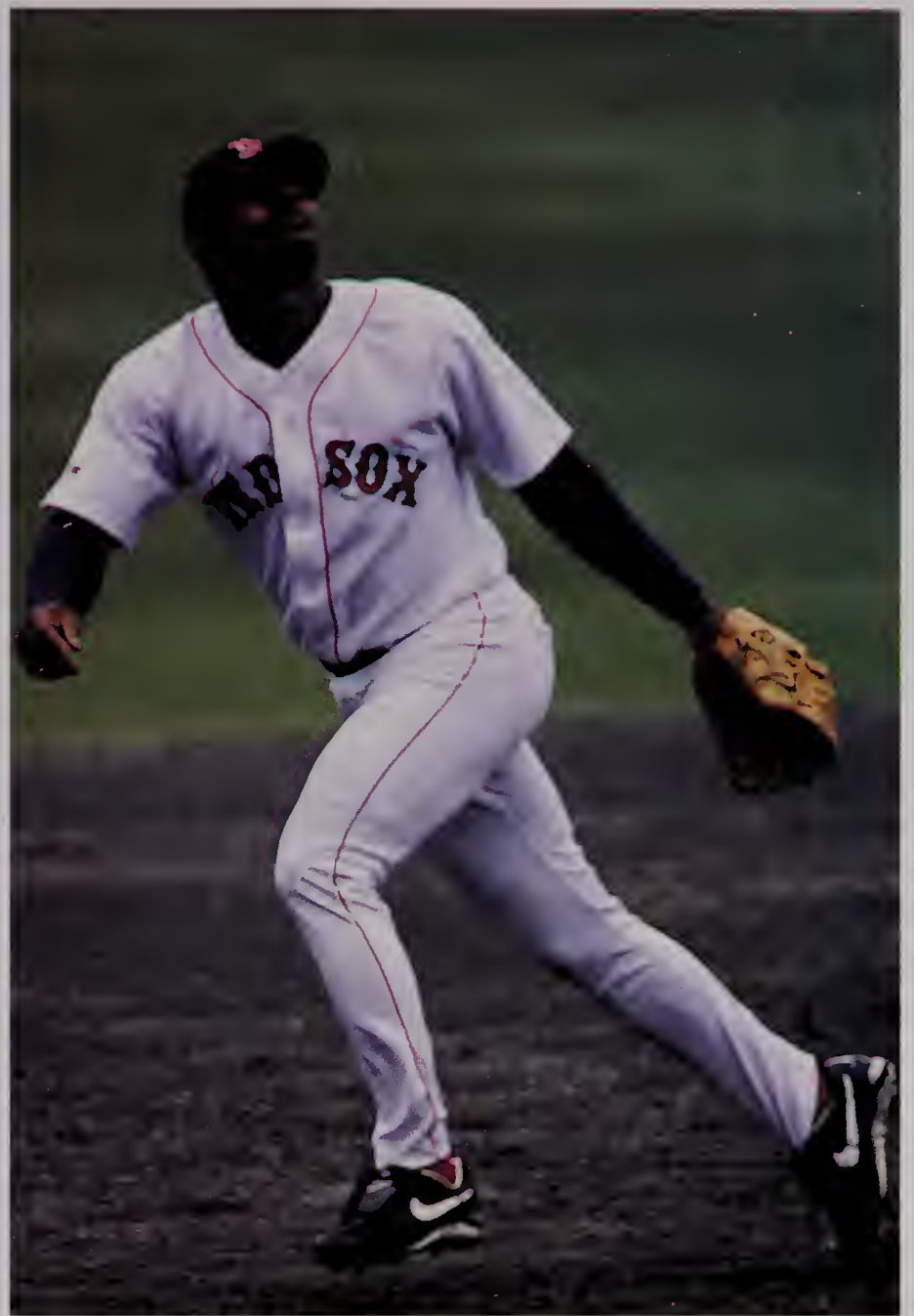
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next day, I'll be used. If I'm needed, I'll be out there. Whether I start or relieve, my job is to get hitters out. I have to execute it."

This season's Red Sox have the heart and talent across the board to be successful. By using his whole roster to its full potential, Williams elevates the team spirit and mentality. Young players who are called up are given the chance to mature and understand the big leagues while the veterans are allowed to keep their game sharp. On this team, every player contributes.

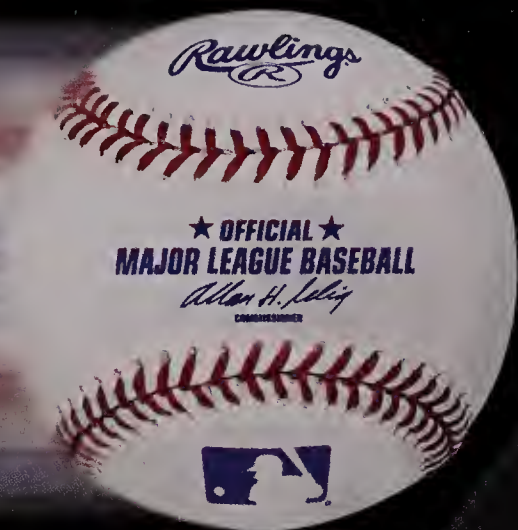
When key players go down with injuries throughout the season, the Red Sox can make due with the versatile type of roster they employ. Players like Manny Alexander have the all-around skills to play any infield position. "My regular position is shortstop, but I'm 99.9 percent sure I won't play there too much," Manny cracked. "When you can play shortstop though, you can play anywhere." Alexander has played in 56 games through August 1st: 33 at third base, 10 at

shortstop, 3 at second base and 10 as a pinch hitter or pinch runner. Other players can be placed anywhere in the infield and do the job effectively, such as Lou Merloni who has played all infield positions and Jose Offerman, who can switch from second and first base, and has played in the outfield.

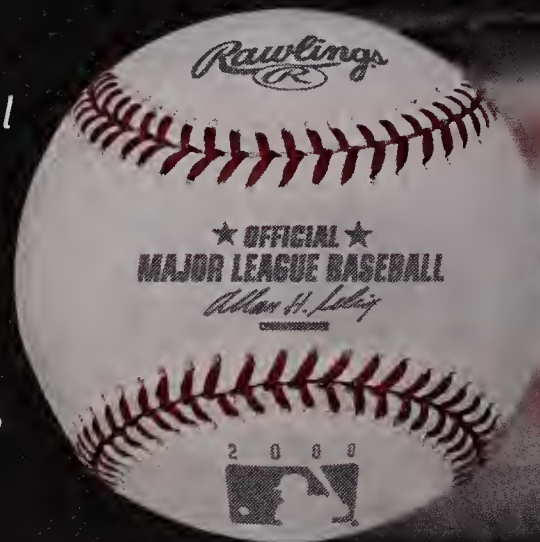
Daubach has also been used to play out of his regular position at first base as well. When Troy O'Leary went on the 15-day D.L. June 19th, Daubach was assigned to patrol left and right field for 6 games. The second year player settled right into the outfield corners and the lineup, as he committed no errors and hit .333 (6-18), scored two runs and drove in seven. This stint included a 4-4 performance against Baltimore in which he had two homers and six runs batted in at Fenway Park. "You don't usually go through a season with no injuries so it helps when guys can play different positions," said Daubach. "The main thing is trying to get comfortable in the position you're playing."

The interchangeability across the Red Sox roster, reinforced by help from the minor league system, has been a major advantage over opposing teams. "As long as you can play players at different positions and they can play effectively, you always have a good chance," Jimmy explained. "The only thing you can control is the effort. To focus on your job, as a player, means a lot."

The Sox are vying for the top spot in the American League East. They are a team that believes in each other and in order to win, every player has to contribute. The attitude on the team encompasses this mindset. "People look at batting averages and that's all they see," Lewis said as he prepared himself at his locker for the next game. "What they don't realize is that this team has excellent players, 1 through 25, and everybody's needed. We have a bench with heart and hustle. Any time you need us, we'll be there." ■



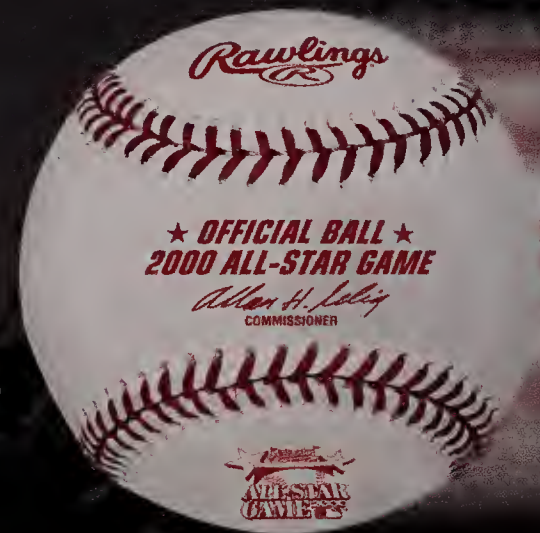
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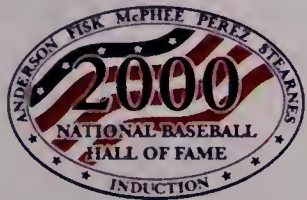
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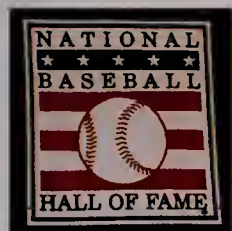
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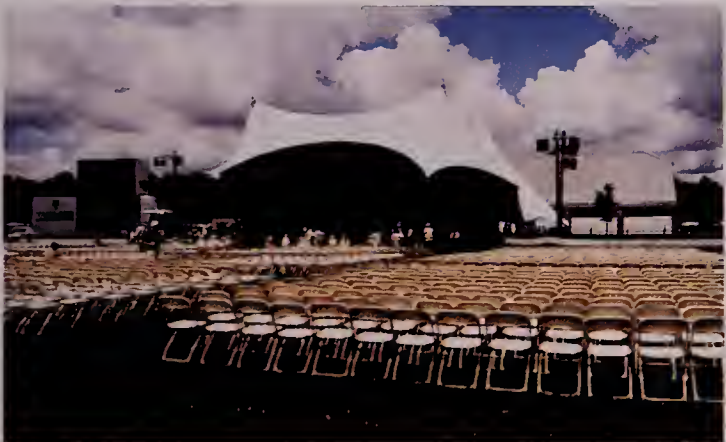
On July 23, 2000, the baseball world turned its attention to Cooperstown, NY to once again honor the induction of some of the game's greatest into the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. Red Sox fans took special interest this year as New England's own Carlton Fisk was recognized for his illustrious career spanning 24 years and 2,226 games, the most for any catcher in major league history.



In the pages that follow are photos from the memorable and emotion-filled weekend.



The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum



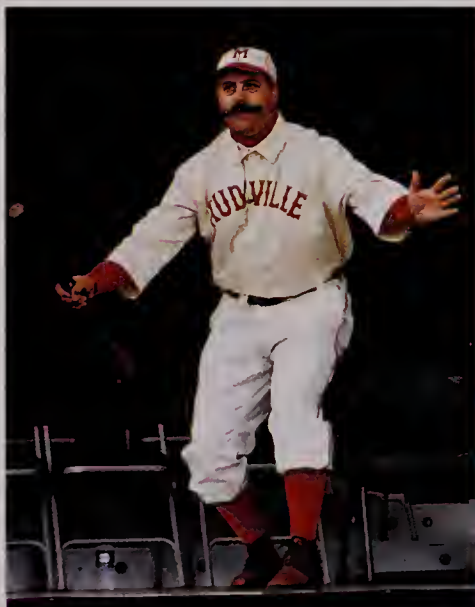
An overview of the Clark Sports Center, site of the induction proceedings

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A rendition of "Casey at the Bat" to warm up the gathering

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The opening ceremonies



A wave to the crowd during the intros



Former Reds and Red Sox Tony Perez intros



Hal Lebovitz (left) longtime writer who covered the Cleveland Indians received the J.G. Taylor Spink Award for "meritorious contributions to baseball writing." Lowell Sun sportswriter Charles Scoggins and president of the Baseball Writers' Assn. of America made the presentation.



Marty Brennaman, the "Voice of the Reds" for 26 years, was awarded the Ford C. Frick Award for "major contributions to the game of Baseball." Current New York Mets broadcaster and former player for the Pirates, Cubs and Indians Ralph Kiner (right) made the presentation.

Nettie Stearnes, widow of Turkey Stearnes, dynamic power hitter of the Negro Leagues in Detroit, Kansas City, Philadelphia and Chicago, accepted on behalf of her husband.



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Former teammate and Reds great catcher Johnny Bench congratulated Perez on his special day. Harmon Killebrew was to Bench's left.



Tony Perez (2nd from left) amassed 379 HR and 1,652 RBI in a 23-year career with the Reds, Expos, Red Sox and Phillies.



Fisk and Perez exchanged warm pleasantries. Former Orioles pitcher Jim Palmer stood behind Perez.



Former Red Sox great Bobby Doerr acknowledged the crowd as former Red Sox pitcher Ferguson Jenkins (right) and former Tigers slugger Al Kaline surveyed the surroundings.



Former Red Sox superstar Carl Yastrzemski waved to the cheering throng.

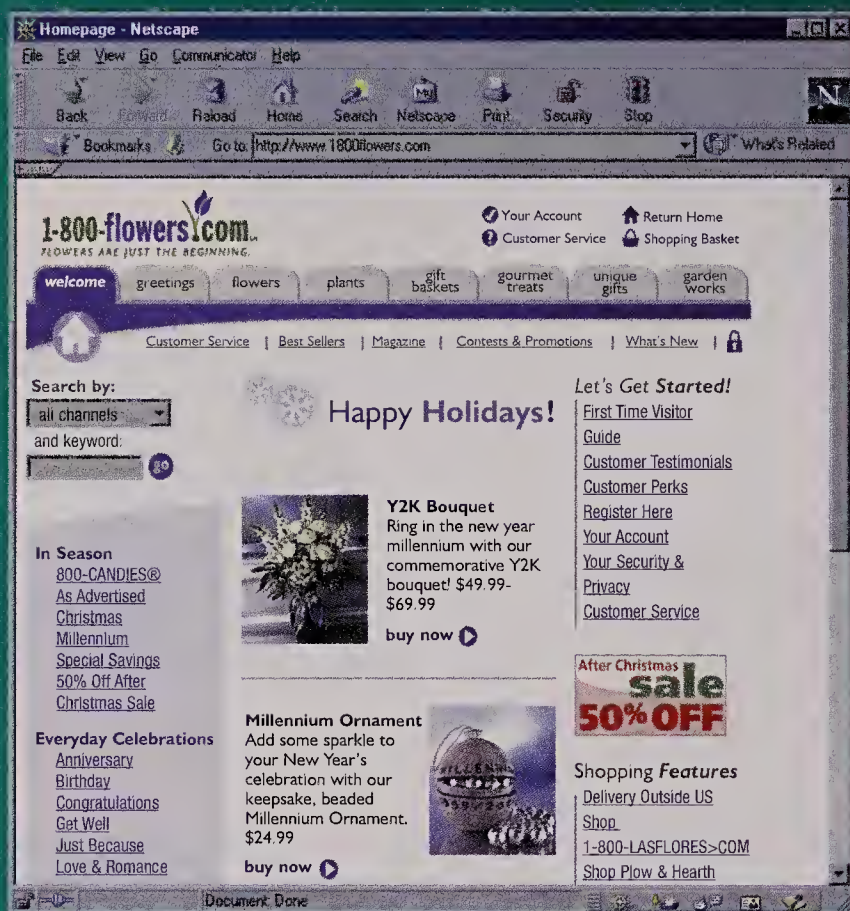


Carlton Fisk alluded to his Hall of Fame plaque during an emotional acceptance speech.



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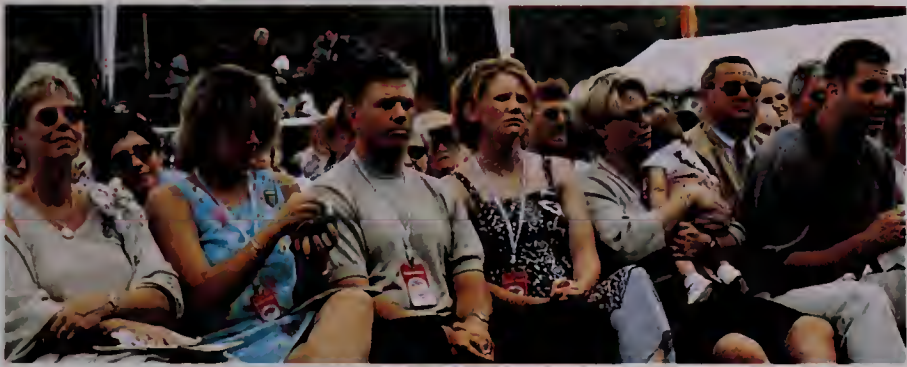
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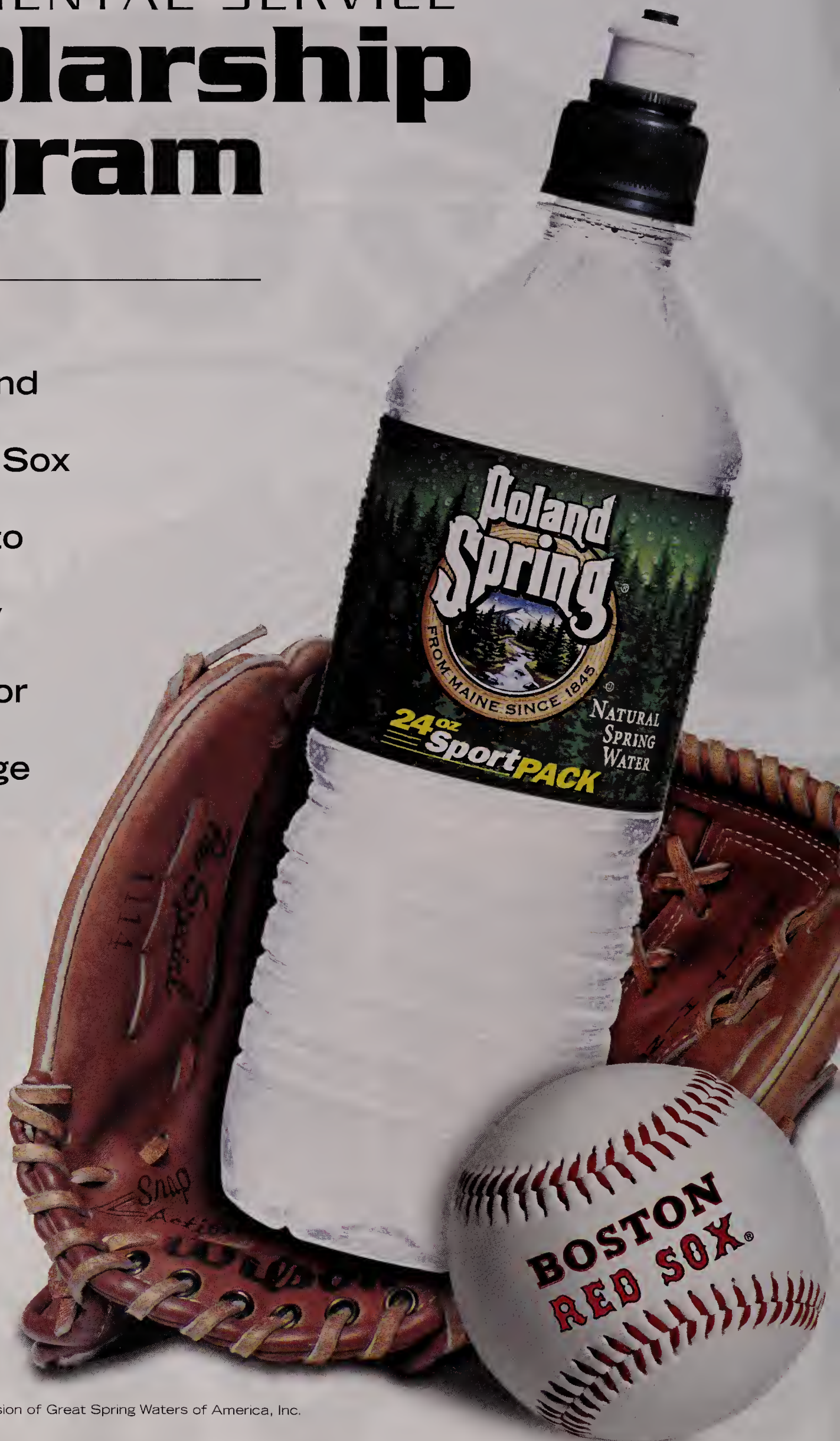
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On Saturday, July 22, the Boston Red Sox, with the City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Ramsay Park Advisory Board hosted a youth parade from the Reggie Lewis Center to Jim Rice Field. Three former Negro Leagues Baseball greats, Rev. Henry "Pistol" Mason, Charles "Power Hitter" Lloyd and Mamie "Peanut" Johnson were on hand and participated in the festivities. Members of the Red Sox coaching staff including Manager Jimmy Williams and Coach Jim Rice were among those in attendance who addressed the youngsters.



Red Sox Executive Consultant for Public Affairs Lou Gorman with "Power Hitter" Lloyd, "Pistol" Mason and "Peanut" Johnson.

Charles "Power Hitter" Lloyd, of Roxbury, MA and former pitcher for the Boston Highland Colored Giants near one of the exhibits.





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T-2:40; A-35,578

GAME 2: AT BOSTON, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5 Red Sox 6, A's 3

The Red Sox erased a Reggie Jackson 1st-inning home run, and an Oakland 3-run lead as they scored 3 in the 4th on Carl Yastrzemski's 2-run home run, Carlton Fisk's double and Lynn's single. They added 1 in the 6th as Fisk's single scored Yaz, who had doubled, and 1 in the 7th on Rico Petrocelli's homer and 1 in the 8th on Lynn's RBI-single. Red Sox starter Reggie Cleveland was relieved by Roger Moret, who got the win, in the 6th, and Dick Drago who earned the save. Lefthander Vida Blue started for the A's, and Rollie Fingers, who pitched the final 4 innings, was the loser.

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Oakland	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	10	0
Boston	0	0	0	3	0	1	1	1	6	12	0

Blue, Todd (4), FINGERS (5-L) and Fosse, Tenace (7)
Cleveland, MORET (6-W), Drago (7-SV) and Fisk
HR-Jackson (1), Yastrzemski (1), Petrocelli (1)
T-2:27; A-35,578

GAME 3: AT OAKLAND, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7 Red Sox 5, A's 3

The Red Sox took a 4-0 lead after 5 innings and knocked A's starter Holtzman out of the game. Oakland scored 1 run in the 6th inning, and 2 in the 8th. Yastrzemski made a great defensive play in LF in the 8th on a Jackson line drive holding him to a 1-run single. Drago relieved Rick Wise and got Joe Rudi to hit into an inning-ending double play with runners on 1st and 3rd. Wise was the winning pitcher, and Drago picked up his 2nd save of the series, as the Red Sox captured the American League title.

									R	H	E
Boston	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	5	11	1
Oakland	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	6	2

WISE (W), Drago (8-SV) and Fisk
HOLTZMAN (L), Todd (5), Lindblad (5) and Tenace
HR-None
T-2:30; A-49,358



Denny Doyle and Cecil Cooper join Carlton Fisk in the celebratory hug of Luis!

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Carl Yastrzemski received warm congratulations from a veteran of many post-seasons, the A's Reggie Jackson. (AP Wirephoto)



It's on to the World Series!



Jubilant Bob Heise and Denny Doyle inside the winners' clubhouse.

1975 World Series

GAME 1: AT BOSTON, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 Red Sox 6, Reds 0

Game 1 of the Red Sox-Reds Series matchup was dominated by a masterful complete-game shutout by Tiant. The Sox scored all 6 runs in the 7th inning after lefthander Don Gullett had pitched 6 scoreless innings. Tiant displayed his inimitable baserunning skills as he started the inning with a base hit and eventually scored on a single by Carl Yastrzemski. Rico Petrocelli had a 2-run single during the rally.

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Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	x	6	12	0

GULLETT (L), Carroll (7), McEnaney (7) and Bench
Tiant (W) and Fisk
HR-None
T-2:27; A-35,205

GAME 2: AT BOSTON, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 Reds 3, Red Sox 2

Rain fell throughout much of the game and prompted a 27-minute delay going into the bottom of the 7th with the Red Sox leading 2-1. They entered the top of the 9th still ahead until the Reds scored 2 runs with 2 outs in their half to win the game and even the Series at 1 apiece. Bill Lee pitched into the 9th and was relieved by Drago after Johnny Bench's leadoff double.

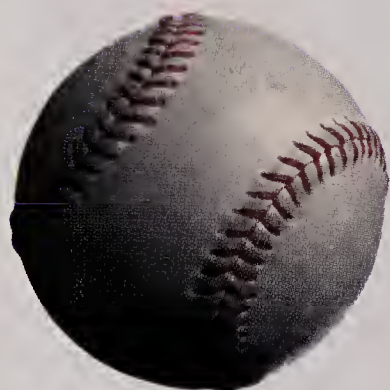
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Cincinnati	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	7	1
Boston	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	7	0

Billingham, Borbon (6), McEnaney (7), EASTWICK (9-W) and Bench
Lee, DRAGO (9-L) and Fisk
HR-None
T-2:38; A-35,205

GAME 3: AT CINCINNATI, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14 Reds 6, Red Sox 5

Six home runs, 3 by each side to tie a record, and a controversial "interference" play at the plate defined Game 3 that was won by Cincinnati in the 10th inning. After a single by Cesar Geronimo to start the bottom of the 10th, with the score tied at 5, PH Ed Armbrister tried to sacrifice the runner to 2nd with a bunt. The ball bounced a few feet in front of the plate, and Fisk made an attempt to field it. Armbrister and Fisk collided, and Fisk threw the ball wildly past 2nd base into center trying to get the runner Geronimo who ended up on 3rd with Armbrister on 2nd. Home plate umpire Larry Barnett called "no interference" after a futile attempt by the Red Sox to prove otherwise. An intentional walk to Pete Rose was followed by a strikeout by PH Merv Rettenmund and a single by Joe Morgan that scored the game-winner for the Reds. The Red Sox had home runs by Fisk, Bernie

Safe!



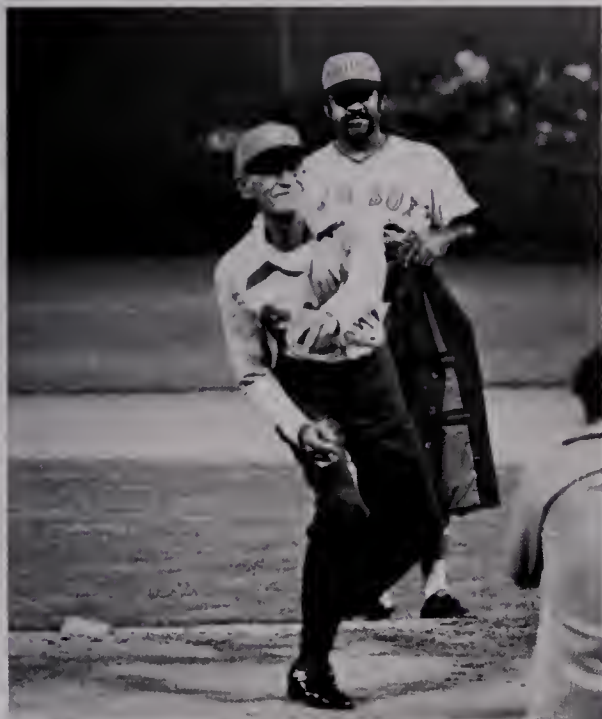
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Carbo (a PH shot in the 7th) and a game-tying 2-run blast by Evans in the 9th; the Reds by Bench, Concepcion and Geronimo.

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Boston	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	1
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Wise, Burton (5), Cleveland (5), WILLOUGHBY (7-L), Moret (10) and Fisk
Nolan, Darcy (5), Carroll (7), McEnaney (7), EASTWICK (9-W) and Bench
HR-Fisk (1), Carbo (1), Evans (1), Bench (1), Concepcion (1), Geronimo (1)
T-3:03; A-55,392



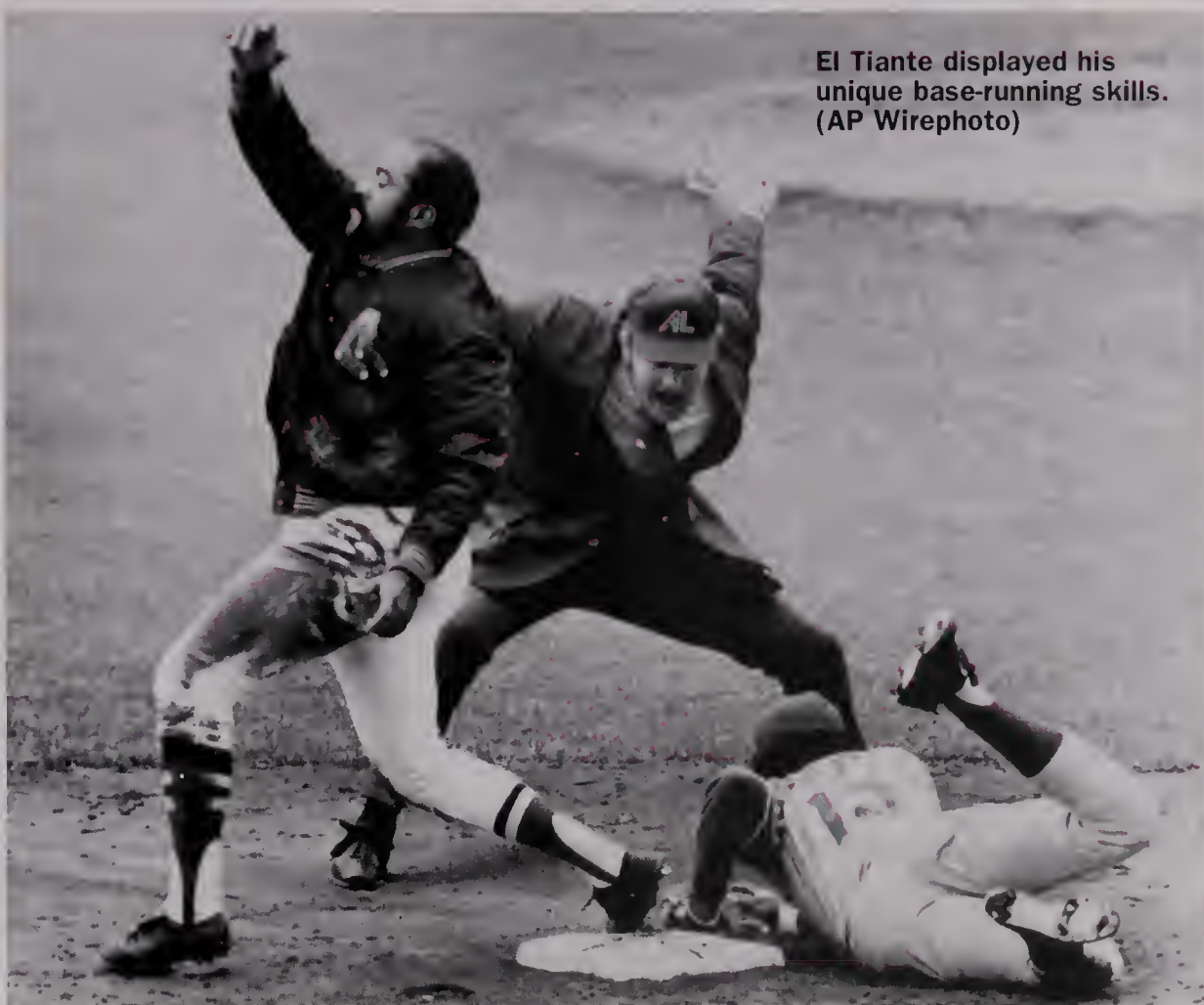
In ceremonial first pitch ceremonies, Luis Tiant, Sr. showed some of the pitching ability that made him great in his day.

GAME 4: AT CINCINNATI, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 Red Sox 5, Reds 4

In a 163-pitch effort, Tiant pitched his 2nd complete-game win of the Series to tie it at 2 games apiece. The Reds jumped out with a 2-0 lead in the 1st inning, but the Red Sox did all of their scoring in the 4th inning on singles by Fisk and Lynn, a wild pitch, a triple by Evans, a double by Rick Burleson, a single by Tiant, an error and a single by Yastrzemski. In the last of the 9th, Tiant retired Ken Griffey, Sr. and Morgan with 2 on to stop the Reds.

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Boston	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	1
Cincinnati	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	9
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TIANT (W) and Fisk
NORMAN (L), Borbon (4), Carroll (5), Eastwick (7) and Bench
HR-None
T-2:52; A-55,667



El Tiante displayed his unique base-running skills. (AP Wirephoto)

GAME 5: AT CINCINNATI, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16 Reds 6, Red Sox 2

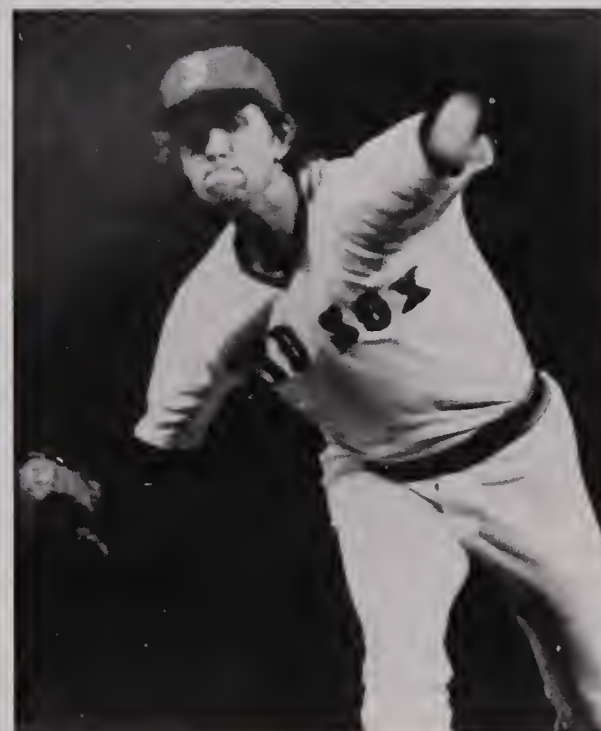
Tony Perez broke his 0-15 Series slump hitting 2 home runs, as Gullett pitched a masterful 8 2/3 innings allowing only 2 hits to defeat the Sox and take the Series lead.

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Cincinnati	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	1	6	8
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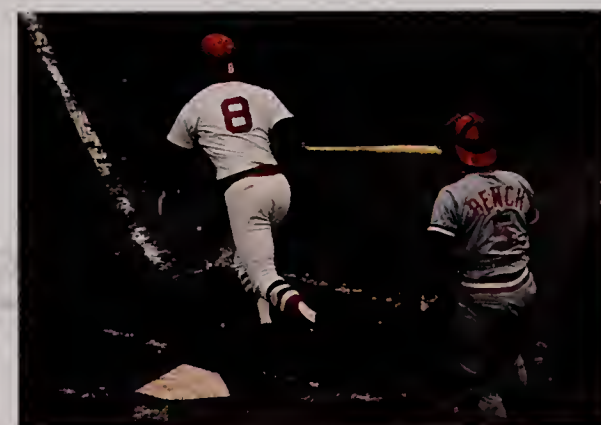
CLEVELAND (L), Willoughby (6), Pole (8), Segui (8) and Fisk
GULLETT (W), Eastwick (9-SV) and Bench
HR-Perez 2 (2)
T-2:23; A-56,393

GAME 6: AT BOSTON, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21 Red Sox 7, Reds 6

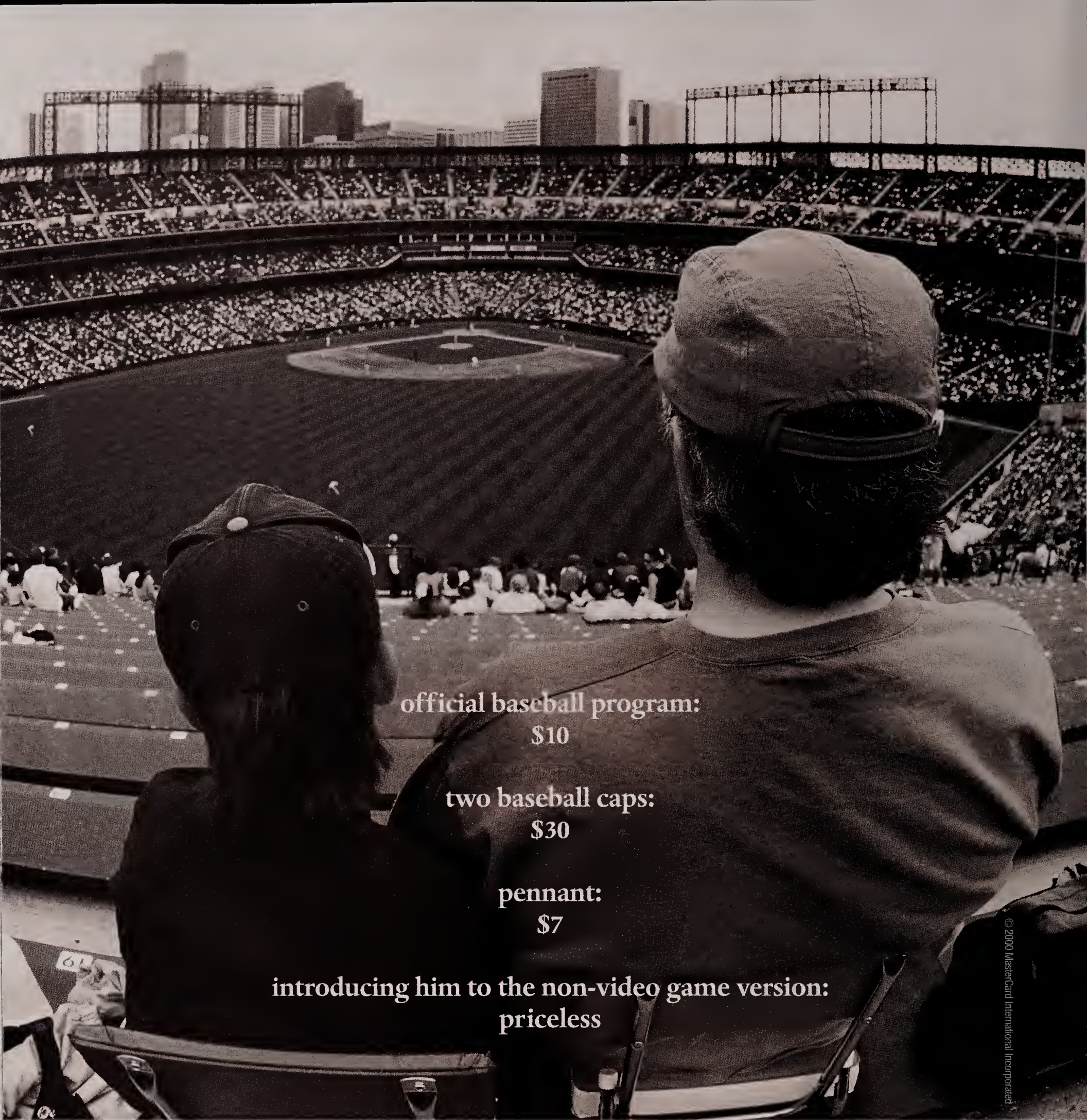
After 3 days of rain, the Series resumed in Boston, and culminated as one of the greatest World Series games ever played. Lynn's 3-run home run in the 1st inning only set the stage for further dramatics. The Reds tied the score in the 5th and were up by 3 after 7 1/2 innings. In the Red Sox 8th, PH Carbo belted a two-out blast into the CF bleachers scoring Lynn and Petrocelli to tie the score at 6-6. A sensational catch by Evans in the 11th inning proved to be the game-saver. With Griffey on base and one out, Morgan hit the ball to deep RF only to see his would-be extra-base hit turned into a



Bill Lee pitched a gutsy Game 2 but the Reds prevailed to even the Series. (AP Wirephoto)



In the 7-game set, Yaz hit an impressive .310 (9-29).



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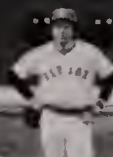
1975 World Series, cont.



Fred Lynn got the Game 6 hitting barrage going early!

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A black and white photograph of a baseball player in a Cincinnati Reds uniform, standing in front of the scoreboard. The player is wearing a cap with "CIN" on it and a jersey with "RED" visible. He is standing with his hands on his hips. The scoreboard is a large, dark board with white text and numbers. It shows the American League game between the Cincinnati Reds and the Boston Braves. The top section shows the score by inning, and the bottom section shows the current at-bat statistics for the player, including balls, strikes, and outs. The player is currently at bat, with 13 at-bats, 3 balls, 3 strikes, and 3 outs. The scoreboard also shows the number of hits (H) and errors (E) for each team. The Reds have 11 hits and 0 errors, while the Braves have 9 hits and 1 error.

Game 6, 8th-inning hero, Bernie Carbo, in front of the scoreboard that says it all!



The climactic 12-inning Game 6 blast!

double play as the running Griffey was caught way off base. In the bottom of the 12th, at 12:33 a.m., leadoff hitter Fisk ended the thriller with a home run on a 1-0 pitch by Pat Darcy that caromed off the left-field foul pole to win the game and force a Game 7.

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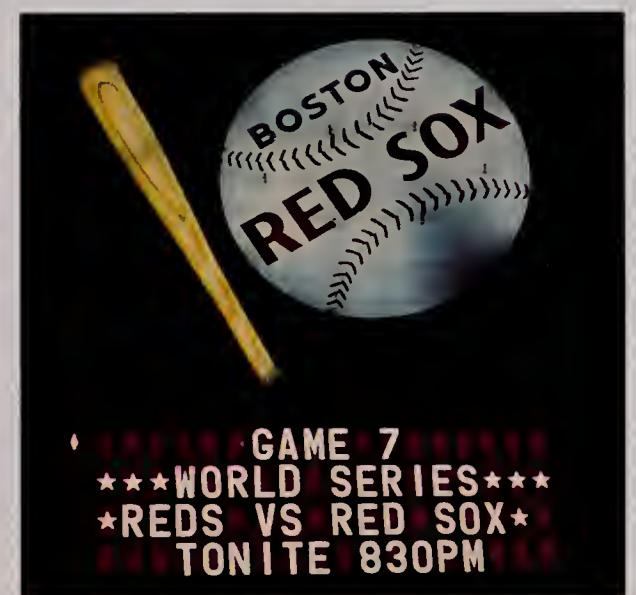
Nolan, Norman (3), Billingham (3), Carroll (5), Borbon (6), Eastwick (8), McEnaney (9), Darcy (10-L) and Bench
Tiant, Moret (8), Drago (9), WISE (12-W) and Fisk
HR-Lynn (1), Geronimo (2), Carbo (2), Fisk (2)
T-4:01; A-36,205

GAME 7: AT BOSTON, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22 Reds 4, Red Sox 3

The Red Sox scored 3 runs in the 3rd inning of this Series finale. The Reds countered with 2 in the 6th taking advantage of an errant throw by 2B Doyle to 1st base for what would have been an inning-ending double play. Perez then delivered a 2-run home run. Cincinnati tied the score in the 7th on a Griffey walk, stolen base and a two-out single by Rose off Moret. The Reds locked up the World Championship in the 9th on Morgan's two-out single to center scoring Griffey who had walked, was sacrificed to 2nd and advanced to 3rd on an infield out.

	R	H	E
Cincinnati	0	0	0
Boston	0	0	3

Gullett, Billingham (5), CARROLL (7-W), McEnaney (9-SV) and Bench
Lee, Moret (7), Willoughby (7), BURTON (9-L), Cleveland (9) and Fisk
HR-Perez (3)
T-2:52; A-35,205



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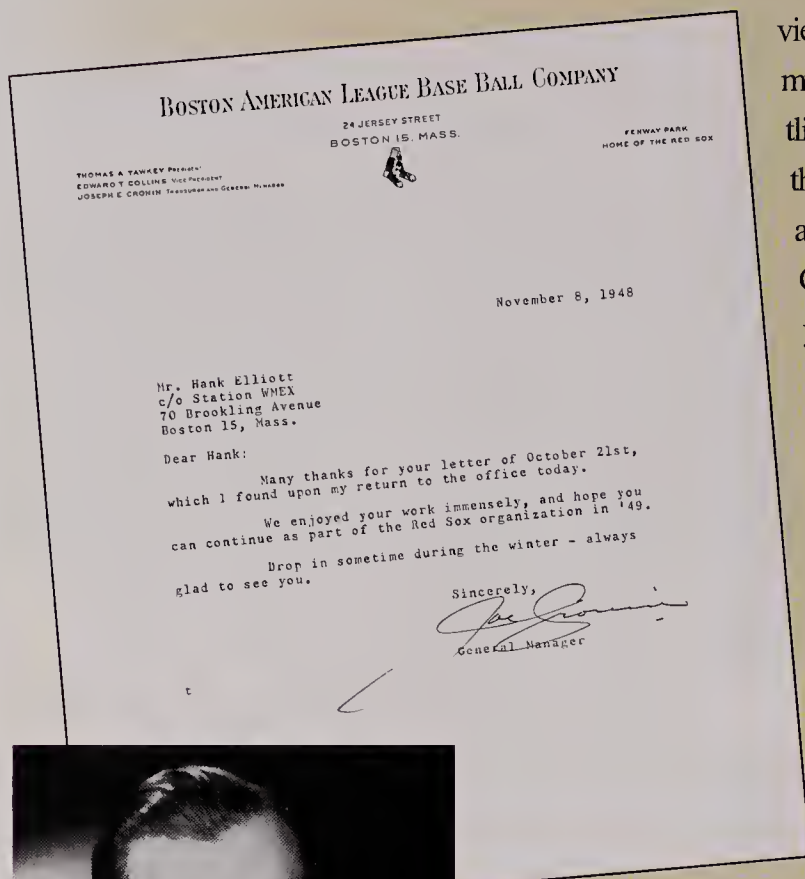
The grimy mix of peanut shells and spilled beer had been scrubbed off the seats, and every view-obstructing pillar had been repainted for the last All-Star Game of the millennium. I buttoned my red mesh vendor's jersey and sold a quick tray of hot dogs. On any other night I would be hustling out a second tray, but now I was working my way up the first baseline to get a better view of the infield. Nomar finished taking grounders out at short, and I was close enough to catch the spray as the ground crew began watering down the field. I watched the sky grow pink and orange as Garciaparra's footprints vanished beneath the jet of the hose, just as Pesky's and Petrocelli's had years before him.

Sherm Feller was the legendary voice behind the mike on the public address system at Fenway Park for many years, but before Feller there was my grandfather, Hank Elliott in 1948. My grandfather came to this country as Henry Zender, but went into radio as Henry Elliott. As Hank grew into Fenway, Zender grew into Elliott, and our family was reinvented altogether. When Ted Williams went off to war in 1942, so did my grandfather, but after 1946, Williams stayed around to win batting titles (until he rejoined the service in 1952), and Hank left to sell Chevrolets. My grandfather received a letter of recognition from Joe Cronin, which he keeps with his lineup cards: cards featuring Jimmie Foxx and Bobby Doerr. Years later, Williams would sign one of Hank's Chevrolet business cards.

Now the stands were full of celebrities and season ticketholders, waiting in anticipation. Kids in colorful sportswear yelled about Ken Griffey, Jr., and I could see the odd gentlemen in the suit and fedora of a different era. An eerie hush fell over the park, and then 35,000 fans rose to their feet as the All Century Players began to file out from center field. Players stopped stretching and many of them tried to pick out their boyhood heroes as they approached the infield. Other players walked out on the field to take their places among those heroes.

In the 1950s, Hank passed the torch to his brother, Paul, who began to work as a vendor at the park. Around the same time, my father, Neal, was putting now priceless baseball cards on the spokes of his bike. Neal also began collecting autographs from the ballplayers he would see in neighborhood restaurants and barbershops. When "Teddy" (Williams) hit a home run to top off his career, my father was there to see it. After he left Fenway, Paul joined NBC and became the production manager of baseball's "Game of the Week." Later in 1964, Carl Yastrzemski and Tony Conigliaro were Boston's heroes, and my father took Paul's place as a vendor. In the '60s, the Harry M. Stevens corporation ran concessions at the park and workers wore paper hats and starched white uniforms. The advertisements of Hank's time had come off the monster, and on a good night, my father would brag, he could bring home \$25.00.

Roger Clemens took his place near third base, grinning from beneath the brim of his Yankee cap. Across the diamond, in a simple blazer and a pair of khaki slacks, stood Carl Yastrzemski. Between them, the living gods of the baseball diamond — Frank Robinson, Willie Mays, Harmon Killebrew, and an equally grinning Carlton Fisk, adorned in his Red Sox cap. The lights were on and the pink of the sky lingered only in the sparse patches of clouds.



Above:
Congratulatory
letter to Hank
Elliott from
then-General
Manager Joe
Cronin

Left: Hank
Elliott



As part of the opening ceremonies before the 1999 All-Star Game at Fenway Park, the All Century Players emerged from the curtained backdrop in center field to the thrill of all.

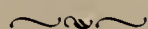
Fenway Park Vendor Recounts Three Generations of Memories

I used to think that I was the biggest Sox fan in the world. I knew all the names, all the numbers, everything. I watched the miracle years of Joe Morgan, and I thought history was unfolding in front of me. It never occurred to me that Sox fans have been waiting loyally since 1918. Thus, I must first apologize for my age. I grew up watching Wade Boggs and Mike Greenwell rather than Teddy or Yaz, and until Clemens found his way to New York, the Yank rivals were guys like Don Mattingly and Jesse Barfield. I've never seen an all-star make less money than the president, and I have followed nearly as many seasons with a central division and a wild card as without. Batting gloves have always been an integral part of the game. Baseball games do not have to be played on grass, or even outside. I've never bought ice cream for a dime, but I've sold one for \$2.50.



Like most people, I can remember the first time I saw a game at Fenway. It's not so much the game itself, but the feeling that you're in your own little cozy corner of the world, taking in a game from the same place where legends have been born. The brilliant green of the field strikes first-time fans as they walk up the ramp into the park. My first game was overcast, and I was disappointed. My father told me to get used to it. It was a brisk Mothers' Day afternoon, and the Sox were playing their timeless, pinstriped foes. I had come with my father, my younger brothers and both of my grandfathers. Greenwell hit a home run to win the game, and equally important in my seven-year-old eyes, I ate peanuts and acquired a taste for a novelty called Crackerjacks.

When my dad passed the torch to me, I was 15 years old. They let me work only day games because technically I was too young. I bested my father's pay three-fold, thanks primarily to increased prices. Finally I had joined the ranks of my family who had been on the inside. With a flash of my badge, I gained entrance before the gates opened. Now I could watch batting practice in its entirety. Players would pass me in the tunnels, some in street clothes and others in full uniform. These experiences were the magic that kept my family coming back year after year, generation after generation. My father came back too. After 30 years he picked up where he left off, and now we work side by side. My younger brother, Josh, came. He chose stand help, so now we're just waiting for someone to don a uniform and take the field.



Yaz waved to the crowd, the last player on the field had been announced. Then came the cart. It moved slowly from the outfield toward the mound as the crowds held their breath and strained to catch a glimpse. Music sang through the park as thousands upon thousands of camera flashes lit up the night. Then the announcers's voice came over the public address system. "And now...the greatest hitter who ever lived...number nine...Hall of Fame...baseball legend...Ted Williams." The sound reverberated through the night. It echoed off the Green Monster and rattled around in the bleachers. It wrapped around Pesky's Pole and seeped out of the stadium, flooding the vendors on Yawkey Way and Lansdowne Street. Ted Williams had been announced, as he had been announced when my father was young, as my grandfather had announced him. Now I was there — there with a whole new generation of baseball diehards, and I was there to hear it. ■



The author, Matt Elliott (left) and his father and fellow vendor, Neal, hawking the Red Sox Magazine and Yearbook at Fenway.



Yaz acknowledging the Fenway cheers during the All Century Player introductions



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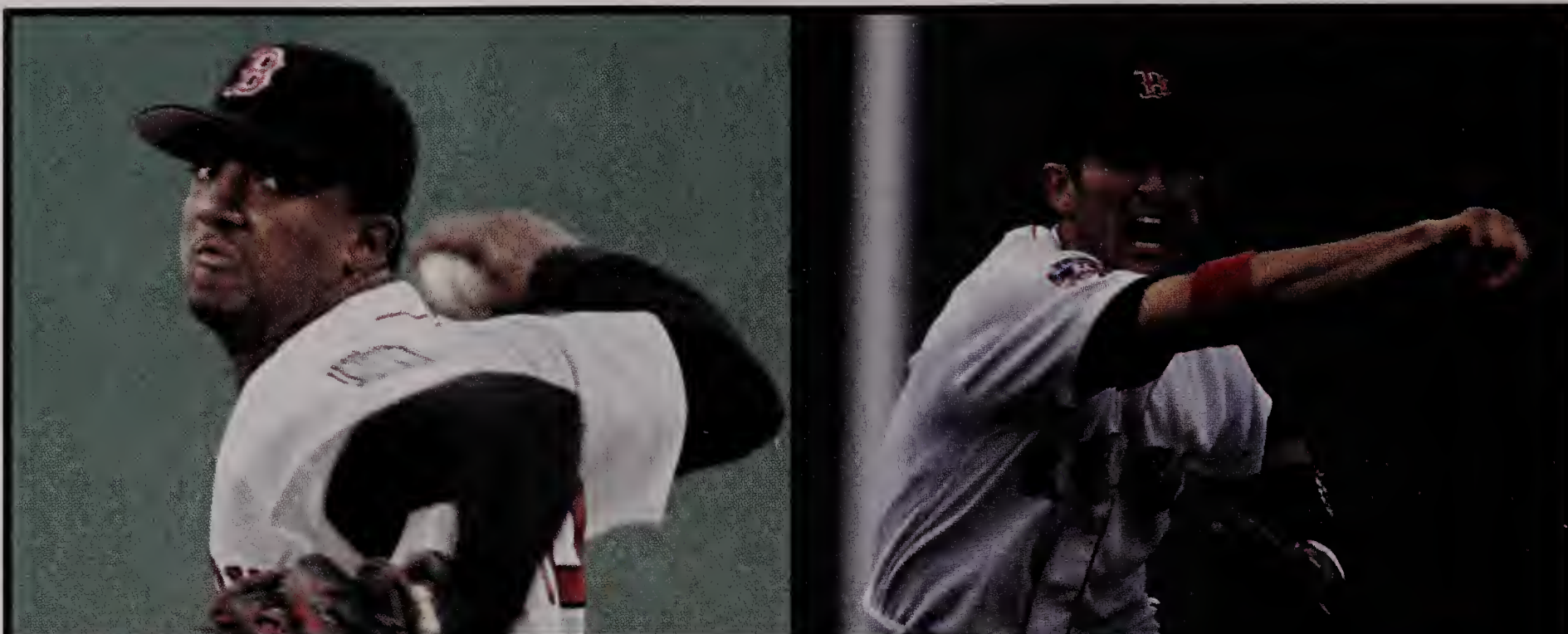
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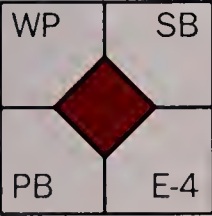
Baseball shorthand is used by the news media to render every game more enjoyable to baseball enthusiasts. All players are numbered and all plays recorded by symbols. For symbols and examples of the system, see below.

CODE NUMBER OF PLAYERS AS FOLLOWS

Pitcher	1	Second Baseman	4	Left Fielder	7
Catcher	2	Third Baseman	5	Center Fielder	8
First Baseman	3	Shortstop	6	Right Fielder	9

SYMBOLS FOR PLAYS

Single	—	Fielder's Choice	FC	Passed Ball	PB
Double	=	Hit by Pitcher	HP	Balk	BK
Triple	≡	Wild Pitch	WP	Struck Out	K
Home Run	≡≡	Stolen Base	SB	Base on Balls	BB
Sacrifice	SAC	Force Out	FO		
Reached Base on Error	E				



The lower left-hand corner of the scoring block should be considered as home plate. Progress is counter-clockwise with progress to first base indicated in lower right-hand corner, to second in upper righthand corner, to third in upper left-hand corner and to home in lower left. In example to left, batter reached first on an error by the second baseman, stole second, went to third on a wild pitch and scored on a passed ball. It is convenient to shade the diamond as shown so that scoring plays may be seen at a glance.

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- Fly ball striking left-center-field wall to left of line behind flagpole and bounding into screen: 2 Bases.
- Fly ball striking wall or flagpole and bounding into bleachers: Home Run.
- Fly ball striking line or right of same on wall in right center: Home Run.
- Fly ball striking wall left of line and bounding into bullpen: 2 Bases.
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2000 RED SOX SEASON SCHEDULE

APRIL 2000

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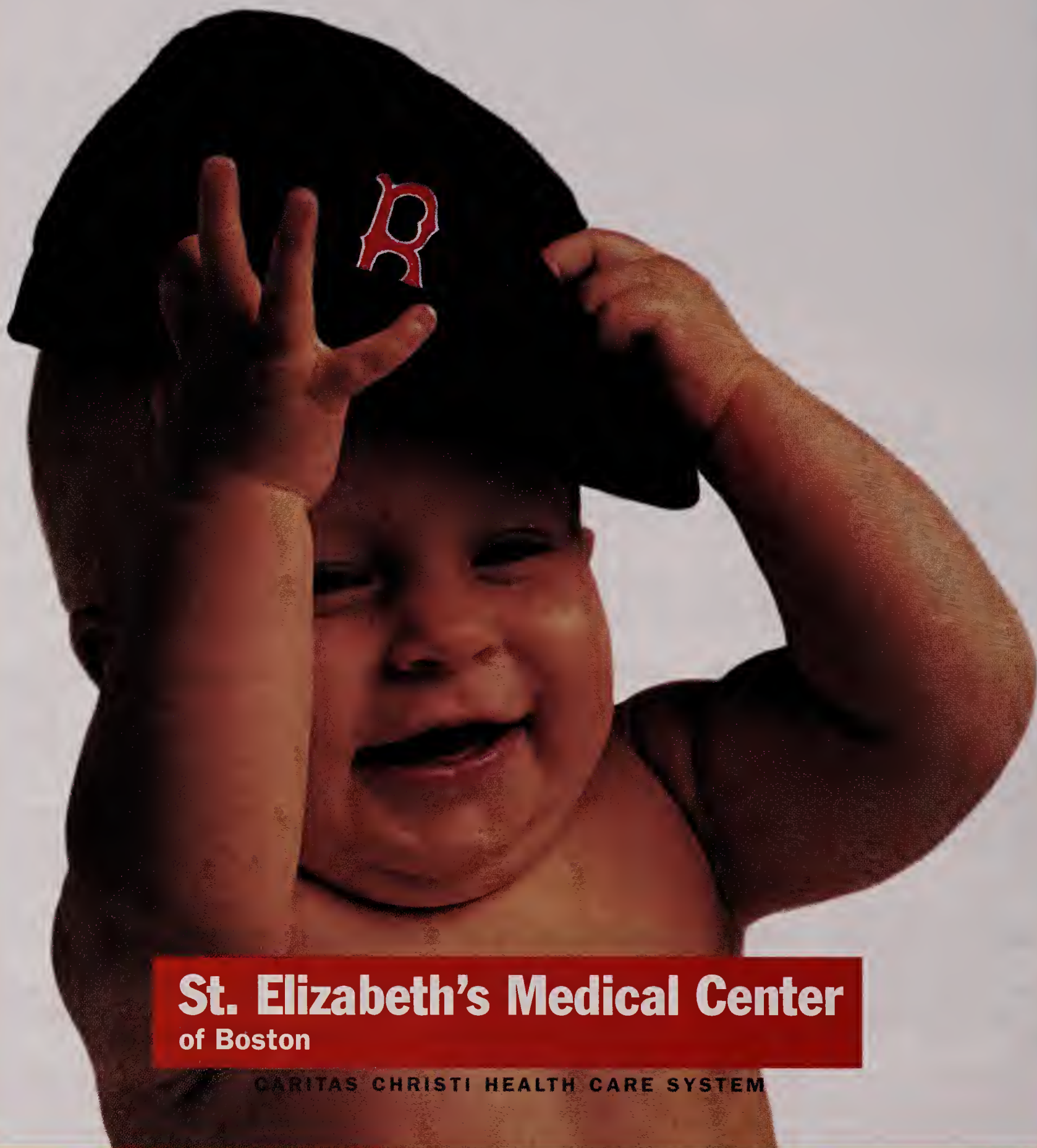
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Jim Rice, present Boston Red Sox hitting coach and former All-Star left fielder, is in his 22nd season at the major league level. He has worn the uniform of the Boston Red Sox for all 22 seasons. Named to the Red Sox Hall of Fame on November 1, 1995, he was part of the original group of 10 former Red Sox players to be so honored.

Red Sox favorite Johnny Pesky, who has been associated with the team for over 50 years, and is one of Rice's biggest fans recalls, "Not only was he one of the best ballplayers this team has ever had, but he may have been the hardest working ballplayer I was ever associated with. He and I would go out to the park before anyone was even in the stands, and I would hit ball after ball to him in left field. He probably had the best work habits I have ever seen, and I've seen a lot of hardworking ballplayers."

THE 1975 BOSTON RED SOX

The 1975 Red Sox are often remembered for the heroics of Pudge Fisk, and the pitching magic of Luis Tiant, but the monster rookie season of Jim Rice was as big a factor as any in the team's success during the regular season. Rice began the season as the team's primary designated hitter but took over as the regular leftfielder on June 2nd. From that game forward, his season really took off. During the next two months he batted .330, drove in 45 runs, and put

The 1975 Boston Red Sox 25 Years Later



together five four-hit games.

Rice became an instant legend during a game in June of 1975. He tried to hold up on his swing in a game in Detroit and he snapped his bat in half. Long-time baseball observers said they had never heard of such a thing.

Rice ended the 1975 season with a batting average of .309 and 102 RBI in 144 games. Less remembered is the fact that he played 90 games in left field and did not make one single error. "Hitting always came naturally to me," Rice recalled recently, "but

I had to work hard at my fielding. I take a lot of pride in the fact that I made myself into a good defensive outfielder."

His outstanding rookie year came to an untimely end when a Vernon Ruhle pitch broke his left hand in Detroit in late September. He missed the last few games of the season and all of the post-season.

Rice is philosophical when asked if it was difficult looking on while his club swept the Oakland A's and came within an inning of upsetting the Cincinnati Reds in the World

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For several seasons the Red Sox outfield was securely anchored by Rice, Fred Lynn and Dwight Evans.

Series. "It was hard not being able to play, but they were my teammates so you want to be with them." Would the result have been different if he had been able to play? "Maybe, but we will never know. You just have to accept things the way they are, and deal with them."

ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA NATIVE

Jim Rice was born in Anderson, South Carolina on March 8, 1953. Anderson is a community of almost 30,000 citizens in the western part of South Carolina, set in the Blue Ridge Mountains. He was the fourth oldest in a family of nine. By all accounts, Rice is likely the finest athlete Anderson ever produced.

Rice won a total of 10 letters during his high school career for baseball, football, basketball and track. His varsity baseball career began when he was in the seventh grade. A local recreation center was named the Jim Rice Community Center in 1981.

His former baseball coach at Westside High remembered Jim Rice fondly in a 1986 *Boston Globe* interview. "I'll tell you what. If I had a son, I'd want him to be just like Jim. He wouldn't have to be a ballplayer, either. He's tremendous, because he likes people."

Jim was the Red Sox number one selection in the 1971 June draft. Long-time Red Sox scout Mace Brown signed him shortly after his high school graduation.

THE ROAD TO FENWAY

Rice began his professional baseball career with the Red Sox farm club in

Williamsport, Pennsylvania. The 18-year-old Rice scored 34 runs in 60 games and compiled 27 RBI. "Playing professional baseball for the first time wasn't the hard part. Being away from home and having to take care of yourself for the first time was the hard part," Rice recalls. "You had to learn to adjust to people from all sorts of backgrounds, and you had to learn how to be self-sufficient."

Rice spent the 1972 season playing for Winter Haven in the Class A Florida State League. In his second year of professional baseball, Rice led the league in hits and runs and rapped out 17 home runs. His exploits earned him All-Star honors.

He earned All-Star honors again in 1973 for AA Bristol in the Eastern League. His league-leading batting average of .317 helped propel him to Pawtucket at the Triple-A level at the end of the 1973 season. Moving up a level from Double-A didn't slow him down at all as he batted .378 for the PawSox.

In 1974 Rice drove International League pitchers to distraction as he led the league in RBI, batting average and home runs with 25 in only 430 at-bats. His outstanding performance earned him recognition as the "Minor League Player of the Year."

16 SEASONS AT FENWAY PARK

Rice played in his first game with the Red Sox on August 19, 1974. The 21-year-old Rice would go on to play 2,089 games with the team, placing him fourth on the all-time Red Sox list. While he appeared in only 24



Receiving his Silver Slugger Award in 1984.



With teammate Rick Burleson in 1978 after one of his major league-leading 46 home runs.

games over the balance of the 1974 season, American League pitchers immediately recognized that he would be a force to deal with for years to come.

Rice took the American League by storm in 1975. He led the team with 22 home runs, and he finished fourth in the American League batting race with a .309 average. He showed surprising speed for a man of his size, tying with fellow-rookie Fred Lynn for the team lead with 10 stolen bases. Although his season-ending injury happened on September 21st, he still finished fourth in the American League in runs scored. If he had been able to play out the season, he might have won the American League RBI crown, and his 102 RBI still placed him fifth in the league.

In July of 1975 he hit a home run off

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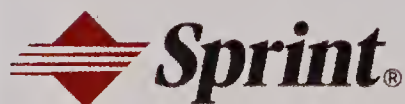
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Steve Busby of the Kansas City Royals that cleared everything to the right of the flagpole in left center field in Fenway Park, the sixth and last player to clear the old center-field wall. Beloved Red Sox owner, the late Tom Yawkey, thought it was the longest home run that he had ever seen in Fenway Park.

Rice responds modestly when reminded of Mr. Yawkey's statement. "It may have looked that way from where he was sitting. I couldn't really tell from the field."

As the 1976 season began there was some concern about the lingering effects of his broken wrist and the mythical "Sophomore Jinx." Rice quickly allayed those fears by increasing his home run output from 22 to 25 and producing a slugging percentage of nearly .500 (.482).

and led the major leagues in hits (213), triples (15), homers (46), RBI (139), slugging (.600) and total bases (406). He is still the only player to lead either league outright in homers, triples and RBI the same season.

His most remarkable accomplishment in 1978 was compiling 406 total bases. He became the first major leaguer to exceed 400 total bases since Hall-of-Famer Joe DiMaggio reached this pinnacle with the New York Yankees in 1937. Twenty-two seasons later, no American League hitter has reached 400 total bases in a single season.

Asked to recall his 1978 records, Rice talks first about his 15 triples. "To hit a triple, you have to be thinking triple from the moment you leave the batters' box. You see a lot of guys stop at second and you wonder if

Piniella speared Jerry Remy's line drive in the ninth inning and Rick Burleson had to hold up on second base. I was the next batter, and my long drive to right field would have scored Burleson with the tying run if Piniella hadn't held Rooster at second base. It wasn't Bucky Dent that beat us, it was having Lou Piniella in right field making that play."

Rice continued his remarkable slugging in 1979. He led the majors again with 369 total bases, and he finished in the top four in the American League in hits, RBI, home runs, runs scored, batting average and slugging average. When the season came to a close he had become the first player in major league history to put together three consecutive seasons with over 200 hits and 35 home runs. No other major league player has ever matched



During the 1999 All-Star Week festivities in Boston, Jim Rice Field at Ramsay Park in Roxbury, MA was named in honor of the longtime Red Sox star. Rice is joined by Boston Mayor Tom Menino during opening ceremonies before the dedication.



In November 1995 Rice was among the first former Red Sox players to be inducted into the newly formed Red Sox Hall of Fame. Rice reflected on his long and successful career with masters of ceremony Ken Coleman and Curt Gowdy.

The 1977 season was Rice's "breakout season." He made the American League All-Star team for the first time, and he led the American League with 39 home runs. His 206 hits and 114 RBI placed him third in the league standings, and his slugging percentage of .593 topped all American League batters by a comfortable margin.

A SEASON FOR THE AGES: 1978

In 1978, Rice had a season that ranks among the greatest offensive achievements in baseball history. In doing so, he helped lead the Red Sox to 99 wins and a tie for first place for the regular season in the American League's Eastern Division. He was voted the Most Valuable Player in the American League

they had a shot at a triple. Often they don't make it because they weren't thinking triple every step of the way." Asked if Fenway is a particularly tough park to triple in, Rice answers, "Not really. If you hit a ball in the triangle you have a great shot. If you put it right down the right-field line you can do it. You can hit some triples in this ballpark."

When most players and fans recall the Red Sox heart-breaking loss to the New York Yankees in the 1978 playoff game they immediately point to Bucky Dent's three-run homer. As a serious student of the game, Rice has a different perspective.

"The Yankees won that game when Billy Martin (New York manager) replaced Reggie Jackson with Lou Piniella in right field.

this achievement. By leading the A.L. in total bases three straight seasons, he tied Ted Williams and Ty Cobb for the league record.

THE 1980S

Over the next six seasons, Rice maintained his standard as one of the top hitters in major league baseball. He was an American League All-Star in four of those seasons. In 1983 he led the American League with 39 home runs and tied for the league lead with 126 RBI. His composite batting average over these six seasons exceeded .300. He was clearly one of the elite major league players.

At the height of his offensive prowess Kansas City manager Whitey Herzog once deployed four fielders in the outfield in effort to thwart Rice. Asked about his unorthodox



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strategy, Herzog replied, "What I would really like to do is put two guys on top of the CITGO sign and two guys in the net."

In 1986, Rice put together yet another extraordinary season. He batted .324 and amassed exactly 200 hits. Rice was fourth in batting and RBI (110) in the American League, and his 39 doubles placed him third in the league. Most importantly, he was a major factor in the Red Sox first-place finish in the Eastern Division and was third in the A.L. MVP voting.

The Red Sox dramatic American League Championship Series win over the California Angels was his first trip to the playoffs. Rice contributed two home runs and scored eight runs as the team overcame a three-games-to-one deficit to earn their first trip to the World Series in 11 years.

Rice batted .333 against the New York Mets in the 1986 World Series. He was on base 15 times in seven games but it wasn't enough. "We came awfully close to the World Championship, but we couldn't get it done. Things happen."

From 1987 to 1989 Jim Rice's offensive production dipped from major league leader to merely above average. When he retired after the 1989 season he had accumulated 382 lifetime home runs. At the beginning of the 2000 season, this total placed him 38th in the history of major league baseball. Most of the players above him on the home run list played more seasons and had more at-bats to reach their totals.

PROFESSOR JIM ED

Jim rejoined the Red Sox as their roving minor league hitting instructor in 1992. He traveled throughout the team's farm system for three seasons working with players at all levels.

In 1995 he joined the big league team as hitting coach under then-manager Kevin Kennedy. Throughout his six years with the club, Red Sox hitters have fared well. In his first year with the team, Red Sox hitters led the major leagues with 286 doubles, and placed second in the American League with a slugging average of .455. Last season the team was second in the American League in doubles and triples and had the fewest strikeouts in the league. The 1997 Red Sox led the major leagues with a .291 batting average (the Sox best since a club-record .302 in 1950), and tied the M.L. record with 373 doubles.

Jim Rice is passionate on the subject of

JIM RICE by the Numbers

CATEGORY	NUMBER	ALL-TIME MAJOR LEAGUE RANK	RED SOX RANK
Home Runs	382	38	3
RBI	1,451	43	3
Runs	1,249	112	4
Hits	2,446	86	3
Grand Slam Home Runs	8	T6	T3
Slugging Pct.	.502	20	6
Extra-Base Hits	834	55	4
Total Bases	4,129	53	3

All rankings are compiled as of the beginning of the 2000 season.

hitting. "A hitter needs to adjust after every pitch," Rice offers with intensity. "You'll hear some guys talking about adjusting from one at-bat to the next, but if you don't get around on a fastball on one pitch you have to make an adjustment before the very next pitch."

When he is told that former teammate Rick Burleson is quoted as saying, "If the hitter is going good he gets the credit, but if the hitter is bad the hitting coach gets the blame," Rice just laughs. "It goes with the territory."

In 1999, the Boston Red Sox, along with Major League Baseball, constructed a replica of Fenway Park at the corner of Washington and Ball Street in Roxbury. The facility is for the use by the community, and it was funded from ticket sales to the 1999 All-Star Workout Day in Fenway Park. The park is named Jim Rice Field in honor of the former Red Sox slugger.

This past July, Rice, Red Sox manager Jimmy Williams and a number of other club personnel took part in a tribute to the former Negro League players in a ceremony at Jim Rice Field. The event celebrated the arrival of the Negro League Baseball exhibit that was on display at the Reggie Lewis Track & Athletic Center from July 22-28.

A PLAYER FOR THE AGES

In addition to his standing at 38th on the all-time home run list, Rice ranked in the major league top 100 in six other offensive categories at the beginning of the 2000 season (Please see box). Among Red Sox players, Rice ranks in the top five in eight lifetime offensive categories. He also ranks sixth in lifetime assists among Red Sox outfielders. But statistics tell only a part of the Jim Rice story.

Asked where he would place Rice among the Red Sox all-time great hitters, Pesky responds, "Of course Ted Williams is in a

class by himself. He is above every major league hitter I have ever seen. But Jim Rice is near the top of the next tier. He is right up there with Yaz and Bobby Doerr. He used the whole field. Obviously he had tremendous power to left, but he used the power alleys in left center and right center as well. If the pitch was outside he would drive it to right. He used the whole field as well as any power hitter I have ever seen.

"And you talk about strong hitters. I saw him check his swing in Detroit and snap the bat in half and then I saw him do it again in Boston later in his career. I have been in baseball for over 60 years and I've never seen another hitter do that, and I saw Jim Rice do it twice! He compares with any other outstanding hitter who has ever played the game. He belongs in the Hall of Fame."

The number 406 has a nice symmetry when applied to former Red Sox players Jim Rice and Ted Williams. In 1941 Ted hit .406 to become the last .400 hitter in baseball. In 1978 Jim Rice accumulated 406 total bases to become the last American Leaguer to exceed 400 total bases. Jim Rice: a baseball player for the ages. ■

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\$1,000	Who started Game 1 of the 1999 ALCS for the Red Sox? A) Pedro Martinez B) Ramon Martinez C) Bret Saberhagen D) Kent Mercker
\$2,000	Which pitcher never won 20 games in a season for the Red Sox? A) Dennis Eckersley B) Bob Stanley C) Jim Lonborg D) Luis Tiant
\$4,000	Which major league team plays its home games in Enron Field? A) Texas Rangers B) Anaheim Angels C) Montreal Expos D) Houston Astros
\$8,000	Which Red Sox player was a member of the 1984 Olympic Dominican Republic baseball team? A) Rich Garces B) Israel Alcantara C) Pedro Martinez D) Ramon Martinez
\$16,000	How many years in a row did Wade Boggs stroke 200 or more hits? A) 7 B) 8 C) 9 D) 10
\$32,000	Who was the last player to hit a home run in post-season play for the Red Sox in 1999? A) Jason Varitek B) Nomar Garciaparra C) Brian Daubach D) John Valentin
\$64,000	Who is the last Red Sox shortstop to hit more home runs in a season than Nomar Garciaparra? A) Vern Stephens B) Rico Petrocelli C) Felix Mantilla D) Joe Cronin
\$125,000	Which team once selected Red Sox manager Jimmy Williams as a player in an expansion draft? A) New York Mets B) San Diego Padres C) Montreal Expos D) Houston Astros
\$250,000	Which was the last season in which the Red Sox won 100 or more games? A) 1946 B) 1986 C) 1967 D) 1978
\$500,000	Who was the very first general manager of the Red Sox? A) Joe Cronin B) Bucky Harris C) Dick O'Connell D) Eddie Collins
\$1,000,000	Who was the last Red Sox pitcher to hit a grand slam? A) Ellis Kinder B) Babe Ruth C) Mel Parnell D) Earl Wilson

\$16,000 - A - 7, \$32,000 - A - Jason Varitek, \$64,000 - B - Rico Petrocelli, \$125,000 - C - Montreal Expos, \$250,000 - A - 1946, \$500,000 - D - Eddie Collins, \$1,000,000 - A - Ellis Kinder
\$100 - A - outfield, \$200 - D - 30, \$300 - B - Israel Alcantara, \$500 - B - 2, \$1,000 - D - Kent Mercker, \$2,000 - B - Bob Stanley, \$4,000 - D - Houston Astros, \$8,000 - D - Ramon Martinez

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Kids' Page

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Right in the Middle of Things

Each of the 3-letter combinations below is common to the names of two current major leaguers. For one player they are the last letters in his name and for the other, the last. See how many you can identify.

1. __AUS__
2. ___MON___
3. _____ELD__
4. _____OFF___
5. _____LEY___
6. ___SCH_____
7. ___PER_____
8. ___VER_____
9. _____RAN__
10. _____VAL___
11. ___GUI_____
12. _____DES___

Three on a Match

Each of the names below contains one letter repeated three times. Find the other letters to spell the name of a current major league player. The player's team is given as a hint.

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|-----|-------------|---------------------|
| 1. | A__A__A__ | Baltimore Orioles |
| 2. | __EE__E__ | Kansas City Royals |
| 3. | ___I__I__I | Houston Astros |
| 4. | ___L__LL___ | Atlanta Braves |
| 5. | ___MM__M__ | Texas Rangers |
| 6. | _N___N___N | Detroit Tigers |
| 7. | O__O__O | St. Louis Cardinals |
| 8. | ___P__PP__ | Chicago Cubs |
| 9. | ___RR__R__ | Montreal Expos |
| 10. | S__S__S__ | Houston Astros |

Bonus: One current player has two letters each appear three times in his name. See if you can identify him when you are given the other letters.

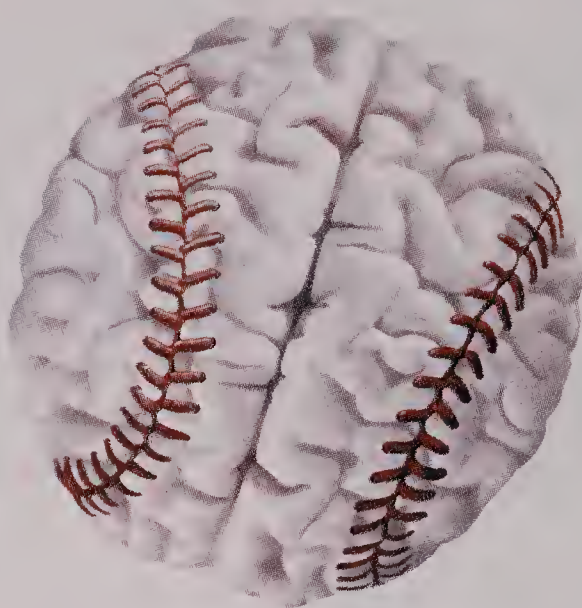
C___L__NO__O Texas Rangers

Let's Get Started

Each of the following 10 words is the last name of a player who has played with the Red Sox this season. In each case, the name begins with a common 3-letter word. See if you can identify the players. As a hint, you are given a definition for the word that begins the player's name.

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|-----|-------|-------------------------|
| 1. | _____ | Not on |
| 2. | _____ | Alcoholic beverage |
| 3. | _____ | Opposite of happy |
| 4. | _____ | Night before a holiday |
| 5. | _____ | To forbid, veto or deny |
| 6. | _____ | Object worn on the head |
| 7. | _____ | To damage or deface |
| 8. | _____ | Spanish cheer |
| 9. | _____ | To cook with oil |
| 10. | _____ | Not high |

Answers on Page 63



The average brain is mostly water.
Yours is mostly Sports.

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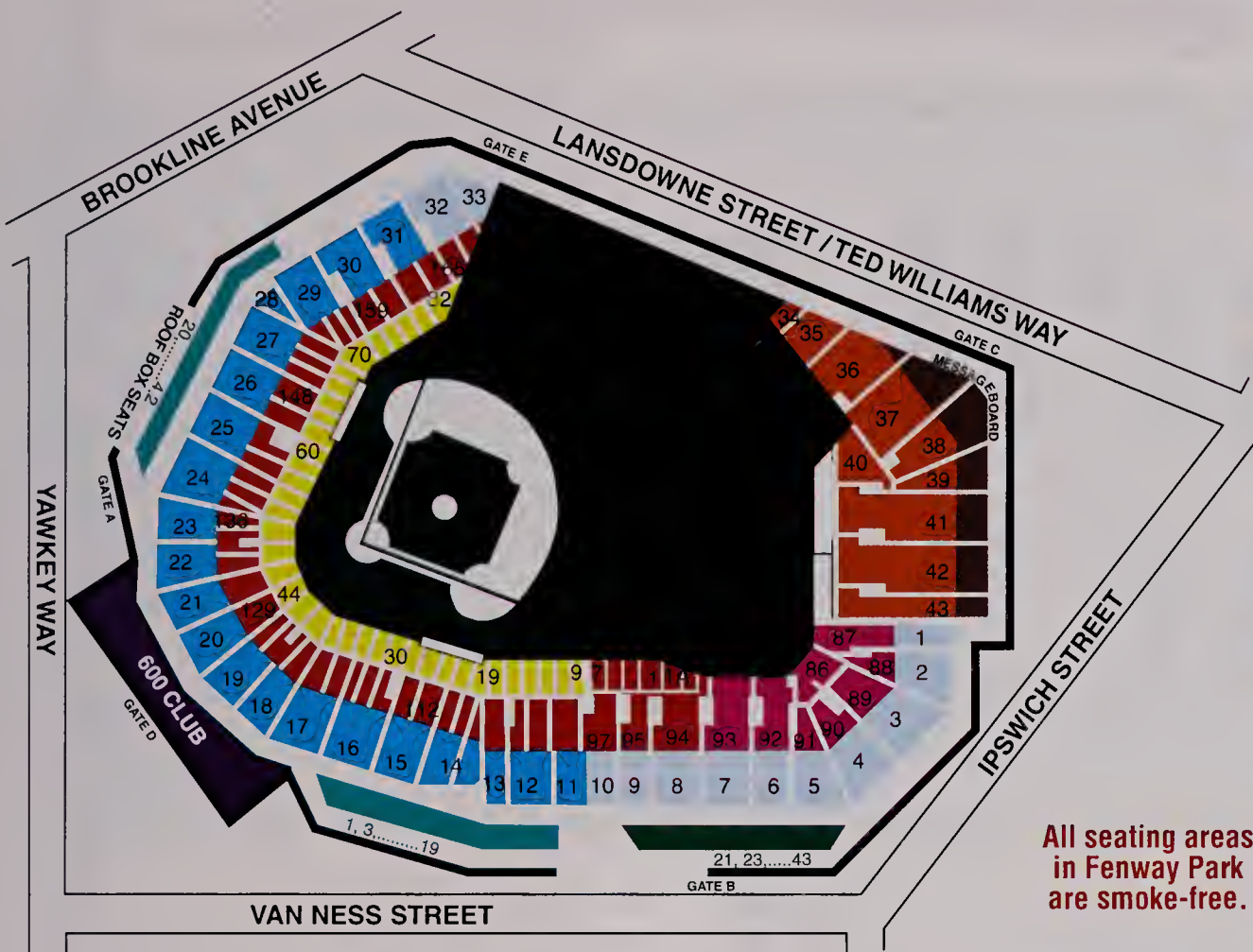
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With such a team of committed support, it's no wonder why one in three people in the Greater Boston area is helped by the United Way. Last year alone, the United Way invested \$35.7 million in local programs meeting the needs of children, families, elders, the disabled, victims of domestic violence and the homeless.

"The Red Sox organization is a local institution that has shown us year in, year out how deeply they care about the people in this community," said Marian L. Heard, President and Chief Executive Officer of the United Way. "John Harrington and the Red Sox Organization are a tremendous asset to the United Way and to the greater Boston community as a whole."

This year, the United Way has set its sights on raising \$54 million for people in need in the community – its largest campaign goal to date. If you have not already, please join the United Way team. With your help, we will have a winning season!

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Leo

Leo could always depend on his size and strength for work. He worked as a gravedigger in West Roxbury and on the clean-up crew at Fenway Park. But when he turned 50, poor health forced Leo to stop working. In the years ahead, he would face high blood pressure, prostate and colon cancer, hernias, a mild stroke and ruptured disks in his back.

During that difficult time, he turned to Boston homeless shelters where he could always find a place to stay, companionship and a warm meal. It didn't take long for him to find shelter life depressing.

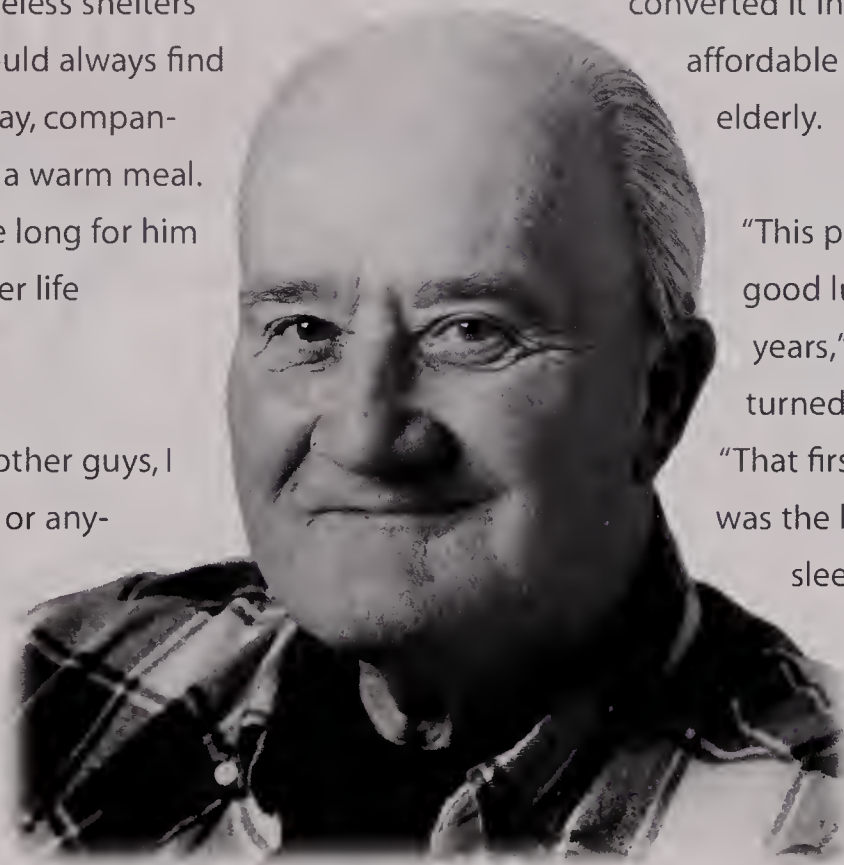
"Unlike the other guys, I never drank or anything like that," said

Leo. "My biggest problems have been my health and having nobody who could take me in." Until now.

This year, Leo was selected to be the very first resident of a new house constructed in Dorchester for homeless elders. The United Way-supported Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation obtained a former crack house from the U.S. Marshals Office and converted it into 17 units of affordable housing for the elderly.

"This place is the first good luck I've had in years," says Leo, who turned 70 in March.

"That first night here, it was the best night's sleep I've ever had."



The Need:

Despite the good economy, there are 1,047 homeless elders on any given night in Massachusetts, a 25% increase from 1993–1997. For every unit of elderly housing built, there are eight elders on a waiting list.

United Way Response:

United Way supports 55 agencies that provide assistance to the homeless and another 41 agencies that have programs to help elders maintain healthy, independent and dignified lives.

The Results:

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The Red Sox awarded a check for \$150,000, proceeds from the May 18 Red Sox Hall of Fame and Enshrinement Dinner, to the Greater Boston Y.M.C.A. before the July 25 Red Sox/Twins game. Executive Vice President for Administration John Buckley and Executive Consultant for Public Affairs Lou Gorman made the presentation to the Y.M.C.A.'s Chairman of the Board Charles R. Parrott, Esq. and President John M. Ferrell. Photo by John Shannahan.

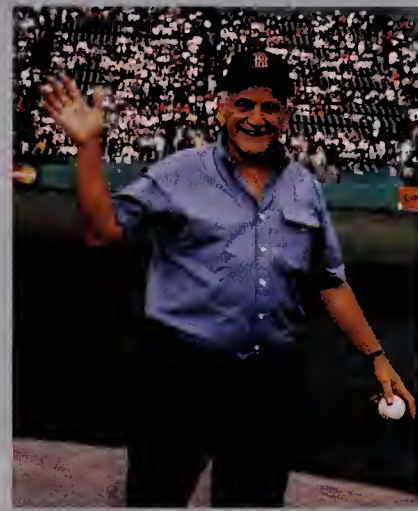


Former Red Sox great Carl Yastrzemski served as a special instructor for the Hillshire Farms/Kahn's Clinic at Fenway Park before the July 16 Red Sox/Expos game. Yaz shared some of his extensive knowledge of the game and exhibited his famous batting stance for the entranced gathering.



Red Sox Special Events

Former Red Sox favorite and longtime scout Frank Malzone was on hand to toss out the ceremonial first pitch before the July 18 game between the Red Sox and Expos at



Fenway Park. Malzone, who recently retired as a full-time Red Sox scout will continue to serve the organization as a scouting consultant.



One of the Baseball Hall of Fame's newest members, Carlton Fisk, made a visit to Fenway Park and delighted these eager fans when he signed autographs before the July 25 Red Sox/Twins game. Photo by John Shannahan.



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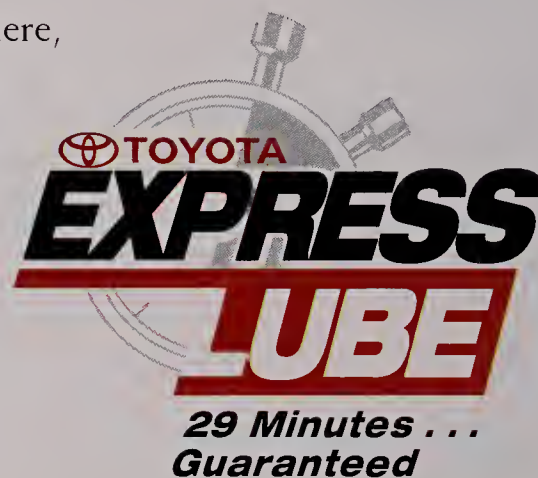


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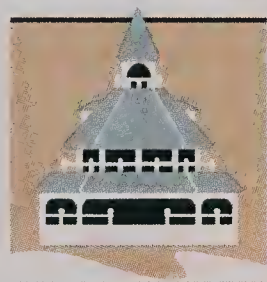
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Take a Walk for the Jimmy Fund, September 24



Boston Red Sox first baseman Brian Daubach recently took the time to help promote the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk with Jimmy Fund Clinic patients and Dixie Whatley, Channel 5 entertainment news reporter and Walk honorary chairwoman. The children included Matt Madden (in center, back, with Red Sox cap), 7, and his twin brothers, Ryan and Shawn (left and center, front), 10, who donated their bone marrow to him. Also in the photo (left to right) are Nicholas Petrino, 6; brother of Jesse Petrino, 4; Andrew McKinlay, 7; Fiona Mulrooney, 3; and Estefania Carbo, 10. The group will be featured in a public service announcement promoting participation in the Walk that will run on Channel 5's HealthBeat Project and on other programs before the Sept. 24 event. Photo by Karen Cummings

than 70 percent, while recent statistics show that the death rate for cancer has fallen for the first time since national record-keeping was instituted.

From the beginning, the Red Sox have been playing on "Jimmy's team." Late team owners Tom and Jean Yawkey embraced the Jimmy Fund's cause in 1953, adopting the organization as the Sox' official charity after the Braves (who helped launch the fund with the Variety Club of New England) left for Milwaukee.

Since then, both players and management have gone to bat for the Jimmy Fund, and the relationship between the charity and the ballclub has only grown stronger.

For years, the team has lent its playing field to the Jimmy Fund for special fundraisers and pre-game presentations throughout the baseball season. The club has also teamed up with other Jimmy Fund supporters, including Stop and Shop Supermarket Company and Hyundai, to help raise critical funds for the charity. And in a compassionate tradition that has endured over the past five decades, generations of players – from Ted Williams and Carl Yastrzemski to John Valentin and Pedro Martinez – have taken time to visit the Jimmy Fund Clinic to bring smiles to the faces of young children being treated for cancer.

First baseman Brian Daubach is the latest Red Sox to step up to the plate for the Jimmy Fund. In July, he and Dixie Whatley, of WCVB-TV Channel 5, teamed up with a group of young patients at Fenway Park to film a public service announcement promoting the Jimmy Fund Walk.

The Jimmy Fund, its supporters, and the countless thousands of people who benefit from its work are grateful for the Red Sox' continuing support.

"Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund would not be where they are today if it were not for the Red Sox," notes Jimmy Fund Chairman Michael Andrews, a former Sox second baseman. "They can't be with us for the Walk this year because they're playing, but we know they'll be with us in spirit as the entire Red Sox organization has been for so many years."

The Jimmy Fund Walk is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 24. Walkers will raise at least \$100 apiece to participate, and may choose one of three routes along the historic Boston Marathon course – the full 26.2-mile trek starting in Hopkinton, the 13-mile half marathon from Wellesley, or the three-mile Patient/Family Walk leaving from Dana-Farber in the Longwood Medical Area. To join, call (800) 632-3562 or visit the Jimmy Fund's Web site at www.jimmyfund.org.

As the Boston Red Sox take the field against the Baltimore Orioles on Sunday, Sept. 24, thousands of people will be taking on an even tougher opponent – cancer.

More than 7,000 people are expected to participate that day in the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk to raise money for cancer research and treatment at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Now in its 12th year, the Jimmy Fund Walk has raised more than \$14 million, and with the support of presenting sponsor Sovereign Bank New England, expects to add another \$3.3 million to that total this year.

Through a variety of grassroots fundraising events like the Walk, the Jimmy Fund has been bringing hope to children and adults with cancer for more than 50 years. Since the Jimmy Fund was established in 1948, survival rates for children's cancers have increased from less than 40 percent to more



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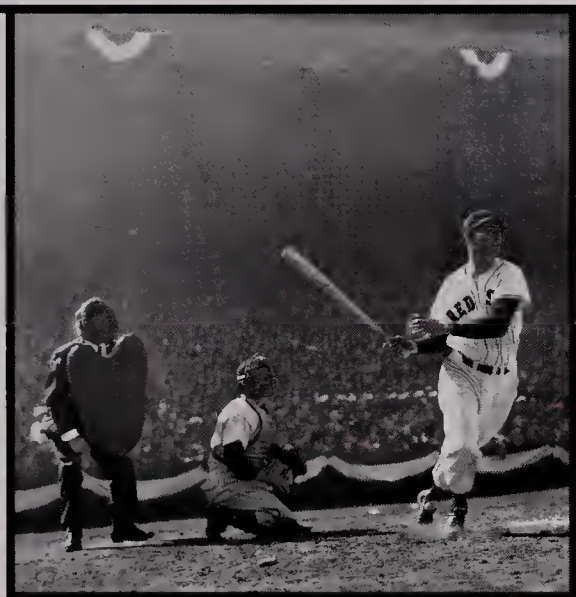
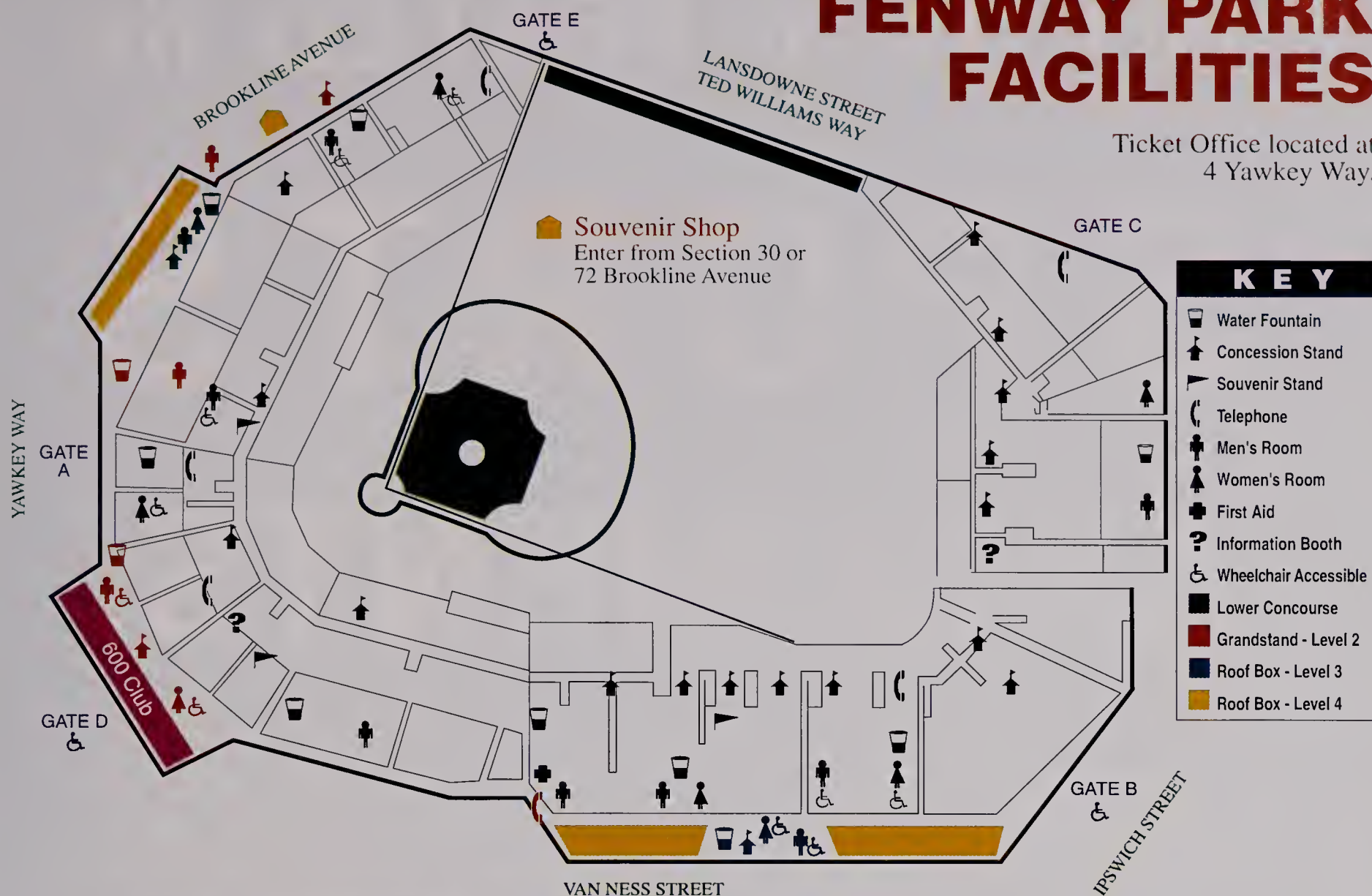
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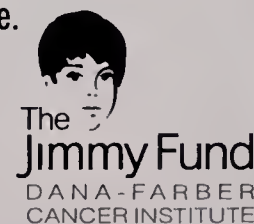
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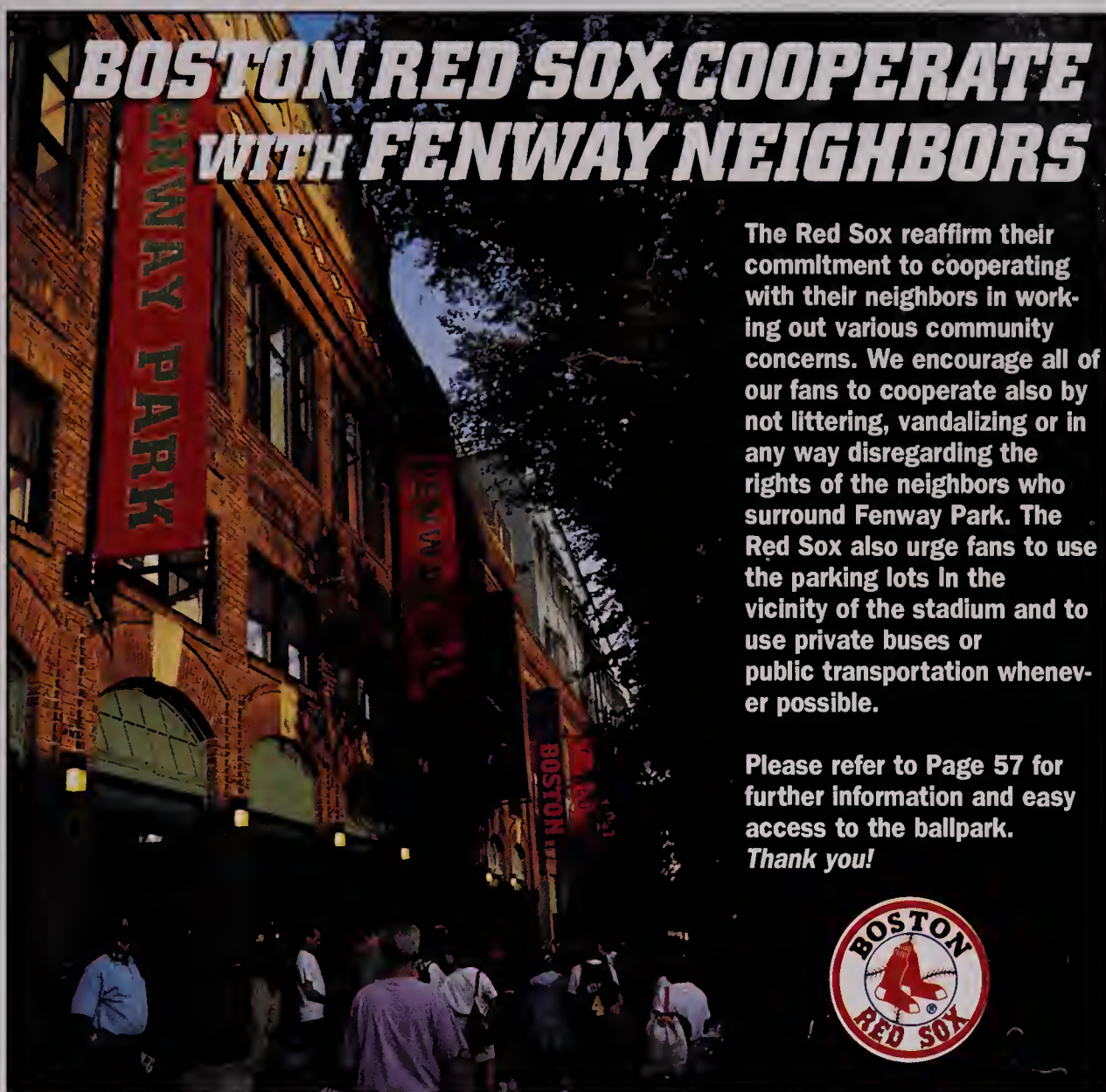


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4. All seating areas in Fenway Park are smoke-free. There are designated non-alcohol sections: Grandstand Sections 32 and 33. These sections have been set aside, and no alcoholic beverages and/or smoking will be allowed in these areas. Red Sox Security will strictly enforce this prohibition.
5. It is illegal for individuals to offer tickets for resale to the public. Failure to adhere to this policy could result in arrest and criminal prosecution.
6. Laws prohibiting consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors, illegal drugs, and disorderly conduct of any kind, including intoxication, will be strictly enforced in Fenway Park.
7. The throwing of any object in the stands or onto the playing field is strictly prohibited. Those engaging in such conduct will be subject to immediate ejection.
8. Persons occupying a seat for which they are not ticketed will be subject to ejection from the ballpark.

The Boston Red Sox make every effort to ensure that all fans are able to enjoy the game in comfort. For the convenience of our fans, Ushers and Security are posted throughout the ballpark. In addition, Customer Service Booths are located on the main concourse behind home plate and in the Bleachers. Any fan in need of assistance of any kind is urged to visit Customer Service where trained staff people are ready to assist.



The Red Sox reaffirm their commitment to cooperating with their neighbors in working out various community concerns. We encourage all of our fans to cooperate also by not littering, vandalizing or in any way disregarding the rights of the neighbors who surround Fenway Park. The Red Sox also urge fans to use the parking lots in the vicinity of the stadium and to use private buses or public transportation whenever possible.

Please refer to Page 57 for further information and easy access to the ballpark. Thank you!



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THREE ON A MATCH

1. AMARAL
 2. SWEENEY
 3. CAMINITI
 4. MULHOLLAND
 5. ZIMMERMAN
 6. ENCARNACION
 7. OROSCO
 8. VAN POPPEL
 9. GUERRERO
 10. SLUSARSKI
- BONUS: CATALANOTTO

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4. SURHOFF - OFFERMAN
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7. COOPER - PERSON
8. WEAVER - VERAS
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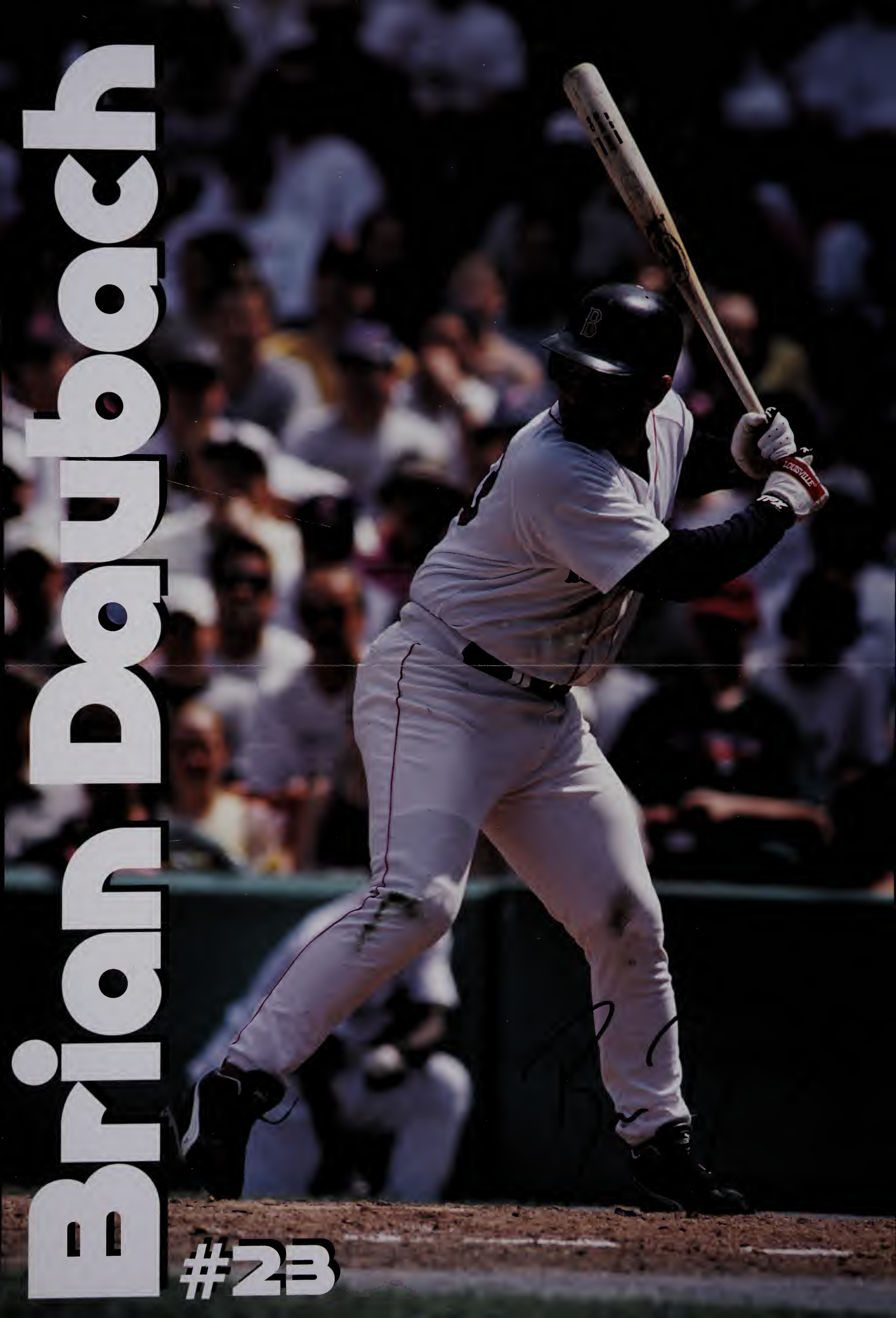
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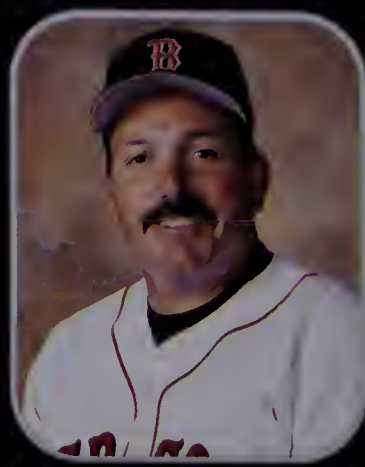
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